the Piper

Birmingham High School

1957

Joyce Francis

Joyce-
I'm really glad I got to know you this year! Let's see... how did I meet you? "H.D." I hope of luck with this summer! (Can't wait to see you then!) (Camp-out) but I know we will see each other sometime!
Best of luck in house
Joann "59"

Joyce,
To a real sweet girl with a lot on the ball. Hope to see you in some of my classes next year.
Good luck always!
Lynn Hitchcock
"58"

Hi there,
Well I must admit that we have gotten to know each other a lot better this year. We have had so much fun together doing those crazy things I call those grand having you for a ~~—~~ ; I couldn't have asked for a nicer one. You care a ball. See you tomorrow.
Carl "58"

Joyce,
I'm glad I finally got to know you this year. Hope you have fun & have success in all your classes next year.
Love ya
Lynn
Best of Luck
Mike Hemingway

Joyce-
I didn't see very much of you this year, I hope you are in some of my classes next year.
Lots of Luck in the future.
Darlene Johnson
"58"

Joyce,
we sure
have had a lot
of fun this year
(especially in your
know-what!). The
very best of everything
to you. Sandy (nc)

Joyce -
It has really been
a blast this year -
in homeroom, and all
the stuff we've done. Never
forget bombing around all
those times in Joanie's convert-
able!! It was really a blast
dawdling that night to the pit!
"Should I ???" "Oh I can't" + THE SPIDER
Best of luck always to a
sweet friend! Don't forget our
blast for this summer!!
Good luck with you-know-what's,
Love ya, Lin Harrison
-58-

Joyce -
So glad I
got to meet you this
year! Loads of luck
always, and have a
wonderful 1958! (Sr. year)
Love, Lynn Lobato
Lynn "STATE"

Joyce,
your a real
nice kid, & I
hope to know
you better
next year!
Good Luck,
Sue Conway

PS - Remember the
time you, Star & Bob
came over & caught me
riding my bike???
How 'bout the time we
got kicked out of the Pal
& all our cool cultured
jokes!
See you June 23rd
Lin

Joyce -
a great gym
class don't you
think?. Good
Luck - Marianne
Sinclair
'57

Joyce,
I sure am glad I
got to know you
this year. Good Luck
in Latin II.

anne Graham
"59"

Joyce,
You are a
nice girl &
hope to see
you in Latin II
next year.
Good Luck
Patricia DeMeneses
'58

Joyce -
We've had a boring
time in History - I'm
glad you don't have
to go through it again!
Lots of luck in all
your classes do.
Mary Robert
"58"

Joyce,
I'll never forget English
and our little "group".
Good luck with Trigonometry -
Have a wonderful summer -
You girls are a lot of
fun to be around.
Joann K.

Joyce
between algebra
and latin it has
been a tough year.
Hope we both do better
next year. Have lots of
fun next year.
Karel McCurry
"59" Tiara

Joyce

So a real darling
girl I don't know
too well but hope
too know better. All
the luck in the
future.

As Always
Nancie Lucas

Joyce,
Will we have been
surprised English class together!
God only knows how! The gossip
sure flew over here in our little corner
Remember the Hate + Contempt list-
Let's make another !! I have been in
this class as much after school -
have during school - but all in all it
was one blast and I wouldn't have
given it up for the world. Best of all
kinds of luckin the future -
Love,
Jan Burnham
"58"

Hey Joyce
If ever are
I ever saw one.
That us, are quietly settled
in the Totem Pole! I
can relay and try to
write in your pipes
this time Jim only
writing a little
here that will
write you
more later
Shaun B.

Joyce
To an equal
person in Latin
and English, well
how about listening?
You are really alot of
fun to listen to and I
have the translation?

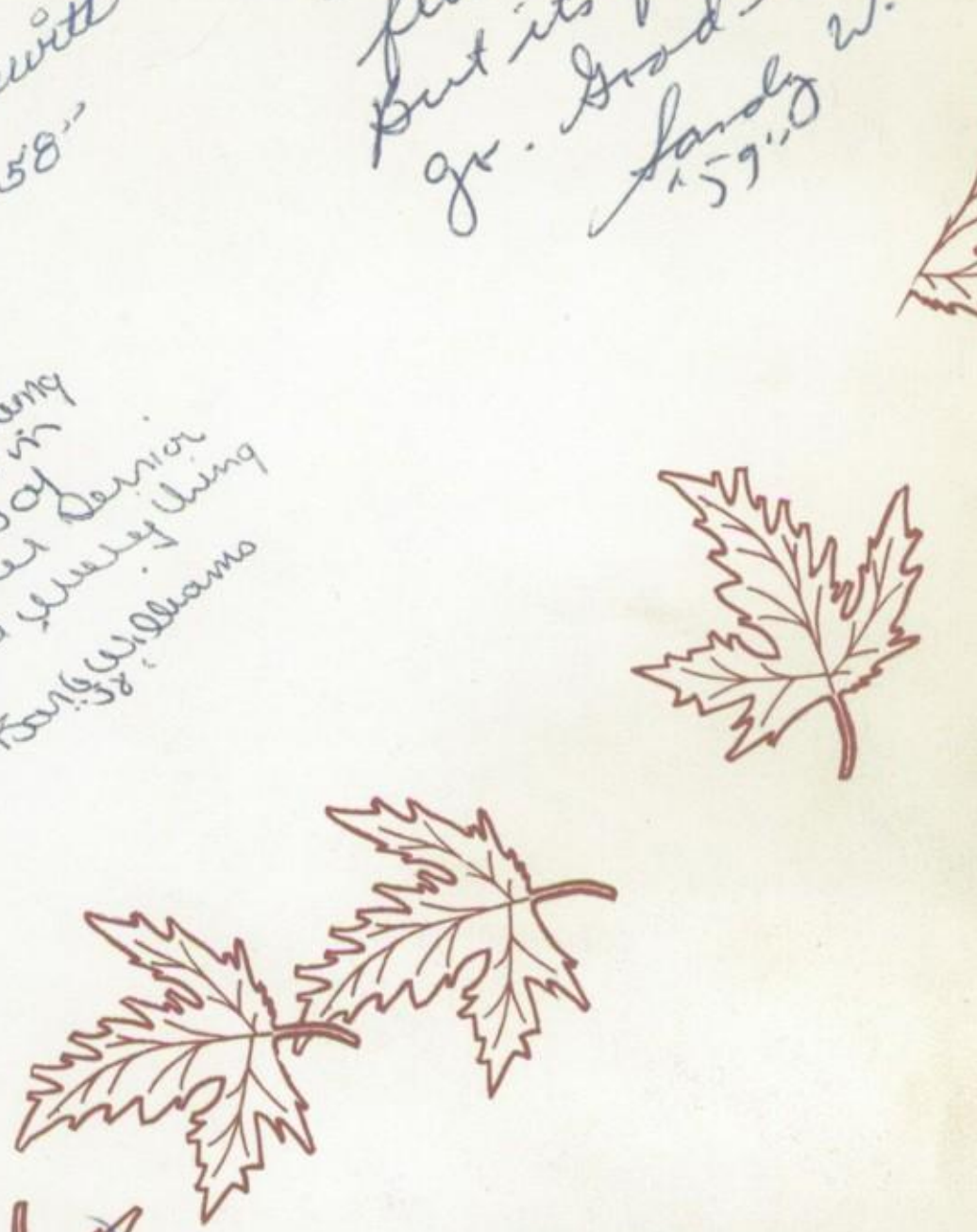
Bob Hewitt
"58"

Joyce,
I think Sis
flunking P. D. Gate
but its fun
gr. Good luck.
Sandy W.
'59

Joyce!
It was a real pleasure
to have you in
Anatomy Lab at
Duke this year.
You are a very Senior
You do. Bonnie Williams
'58

Joyce, Have had a ball in History - best of luck
Sharon Bruguiere
'58"

P.S.



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Joyce,
You're a riot!
I hope next year
in Rotan II we can
sit together. Have a
BALL always!
Jan Le Messurier
'58

Joyce,
Driving has been a ball.
I hope you get your license.
I add out for those police-
men and pedestrians, etc.
Really, it has been swell
knowing you. Have fun
at ATC - Hop!
Bev Clowe

Joyce
we had a ball in
algebra but I don't
think we learned
much - Good luck with
Joyce.
Carol
'58 ΔΔΔ

Joyce
It's been great
to know you these
last few years and
to tell you good luck in
the years to come!
Love
Zoota

Joyce,
Hope you have a
swell summer and
don't work too
hard.
Love,
Jan

Hi Joyce,
Hasn't Latin been fun??? Not a lot, mostly bad. Hope you pass and have fun this summer.
Lynn McAllister
59'

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Dear Joyce,
It certainly has been a pleasure working on History class with you. Best of luck
Edythe Kapp

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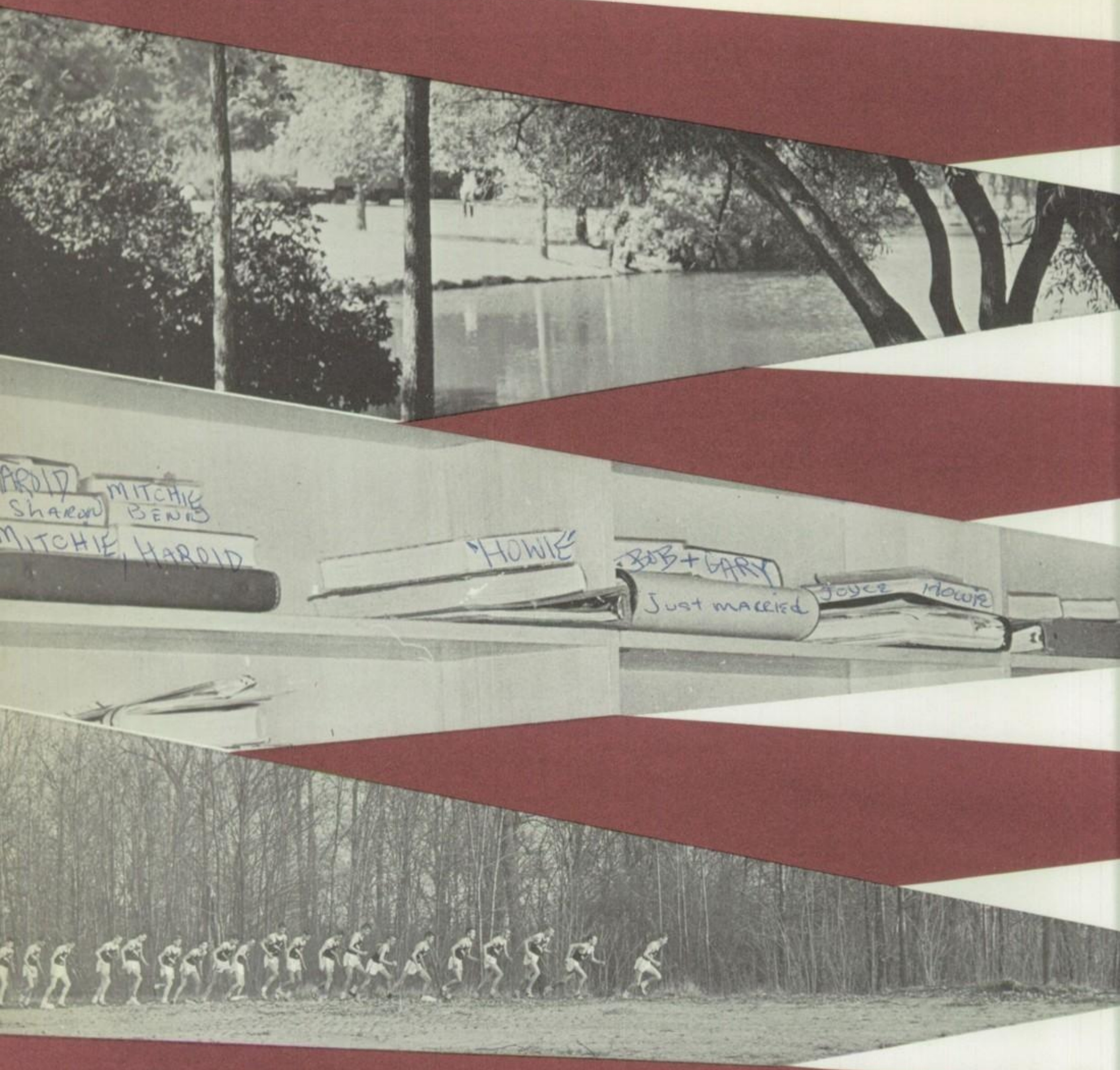
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BOB + GARY
JUST MARRIED
JOYCE
HOWIE

That's the Maple Spirit !

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That's the Maple Spirit !

In Loafing

When we work, we work hard. When we play, we go all out! When the last bulletin has been read, the last lunch shift satisfied, the last exam finished, we scatter like maple leaves before a scurrying autumn wind . . . Some to the tennis court, some the golf links, many to camp, lake and northern woods. Some of us travel to far lands, or enroll in college workshops or summer theatres. Summer has been said to be the time to "accumulate unprescribed educational experiences". We love the liberty, the life, the loafing.

Joyce,
To a wonderful girl
with a great personality
Good Luck to you
in the future and
may it always
look bright
Jane Parker
(SX)

Joyce,
Well kiddo, another year
has gone by & we've had more fun
than ever. You are really a darling
gal. Always stay as sweet as you
are. Best of luck always with
ym know who.
Mary H.

In summer fun we

At last it was summer again, giving us an opportunity to take time out for things we had planned all winter. On sunny days we played tennis or golf, went swimming and horseback riding. Or we just basked lazily in the sun.

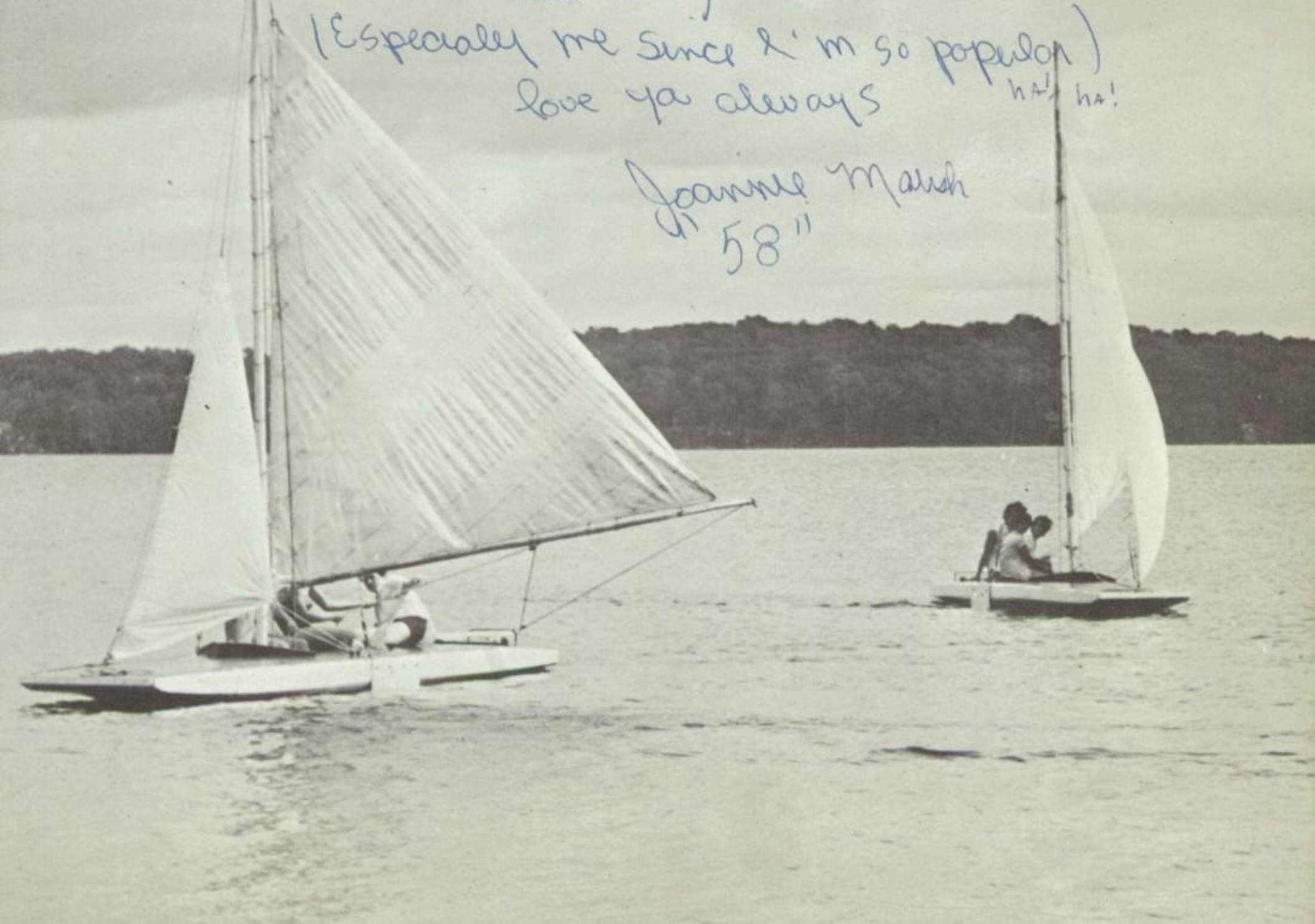
We liked rainy days, too. They were used in recuperating from the sunny ones. They gave us a chance to think about the coming year. So some of us visited colleges and began making our choices. Others traveled not only in the United States but in Canada, Mexico and Europe.

Many boys and girls from Birmingham spend the summer at Matt Mann's camps in Ontario. These boys are swimming and playing in the water at Camp Chikopee. Many pictures of the camp were given us by Rosemary Mann Dawson, Matt's daughter.

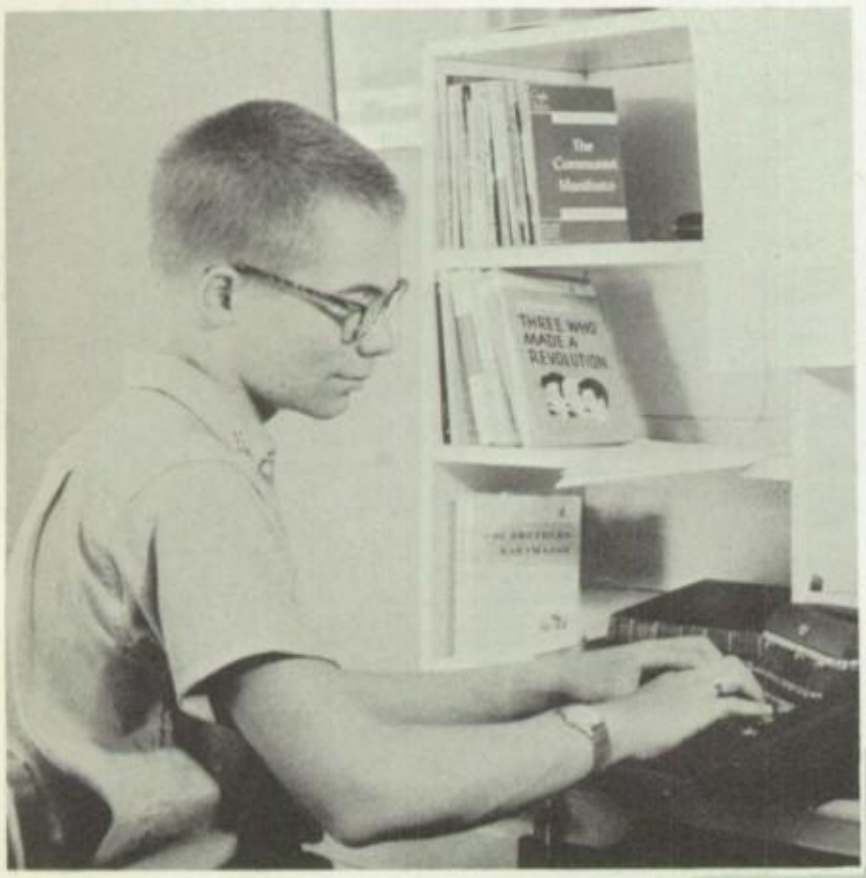
enjoy more sleep, many sports, varied jobs, exciting trips

Joyce -
Gosh this year has come and gone already
Remember all the Times we went skating at
Sleepy Hollow and the day Jon asked me to the
concert. I really had a blast-(ho!ho!)
The night we got kicked out & token pole and
came on to big bay.
We will ~~have~~ really have a blast tomorrow.
(Especially me since I'm so popular) ha! ha!
love ya always

Joanne Marsh
'58"



Ted Schaefer and Andy Hawley took exams early and headed for the journalism workshop at the University of Missouri. They found that Dean Earl English was an employee of The Birmingham Eccentric back in 1923. Discussing the 1956 Eccentric are Ted, Andy, Dean English, two teachers at the workshop, and N. S. Patterson, director of the workshop and editor of Photolith Magazine.



Some further their education

Chet Sampson's Western tour attracted some 35 Birmingham girls who slept under the stars and loved the long trip in station wagons.

Summer jobs gave many of us a sense of responsibility and a feeling of being on our own. Many gained valuable on-the-job experience.

With the end of summer we were anxious to get back in the swing of things at school. Tanned and relaxed, we were ready and willing to begin another year.

Pete Loomis was the pleased recipient of a scholarship to Cornell University's summer Seminar in Democracy and Communism. Some of his textbooks on Russian political philosophy and Russian literature are on his shelves.

Voted Miss Sleeping Bag of the 1956 Chet Sampson trip, Paula Struck accepts a calf skin, an honor awarded every year by Bing Crosby during the trip's stop at the Crosby Ranch near Elko, Nevada. Jane Severs, also from Birmingham, was runner-up for the honor.

A thrilling AFS summer over, Don Thalacker and Sue Tabor enjoy their last few days aboard the boat. Sue lived in Finland for eight weeks while Don spent the summer with a German family. Both say that the voyage to and from Europe was as much fun as any other part of their trip.

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That's the Maple Spirit !

In Labors of Love

We rolled up our sleeves to work together on worthwhile projects for class, for school. We were auctioneers, far overselling the Torch Drive quota. We were paper collectors, candy and gift wrapping salesmen, and helpers of a beloved teacher. We pitched in as one man to aid the poor and the less fortunate in war-torn countries. We amazed the entire community as jacks-of-all-trades in the spectacular drive for funds to bring more foreign exchange students. In these labors of love lives the true Maple spirit.

Heya Joyce!

I'm so glad that you are going to the Hop with such a pirfect doll. Joyce, you are a great kid and I think wonderful. Lot of you. Yours very deserving of such wonderful things and I hope lots more wonderful things happen to you.

I hope sometime we can get togethir for another summers party like we did last years. Lots of good old Yuck in the present & future years to come. See Ya

Kara

We are learning brotherhood through world understanding

Tom da Fonseca, Klaus Parsch, Hely Heldenstein

Welcoming people of all nations, the Statue of Liberty also greeted Tom da Fonseca and Hely Heldenstein upon their arrival in America. From Portugal and Luxembourg, they had little time to "see America" in New York; both were very tired and too hurried.

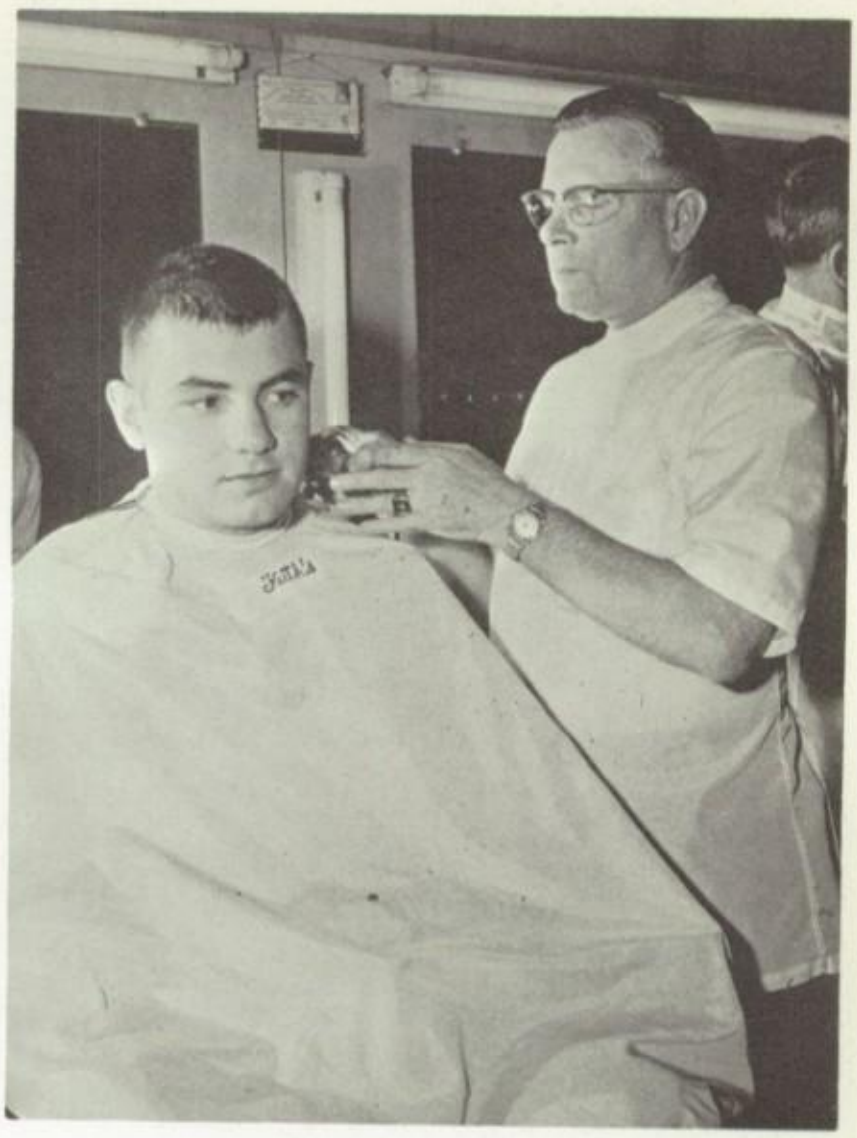
But both remember clearly the sweltering August heat and the towering buildings. Soon after their arrival in New York, they boarded a bus for Detroit. Their year in America with new families, new customs, new friends had begun.

Only a month behind Hely and Tom came Klaus Parsch, from Germany. He had been a close friend of Don Thalacker, Birmingham student who lived in Germany last summer.

Enjoying many laughs and good times together, our American Field Service students are true symbols of the theme of Birmingham's Eastern Michigan League Conference: "Walk together, talk together, O ye peoples of the earth. Then and only then shall ye have peace". Paula Struck, Sue Tabor, Tom da Fonseca, Hely Heldenstein, Don Thalacker.

They came from Europe

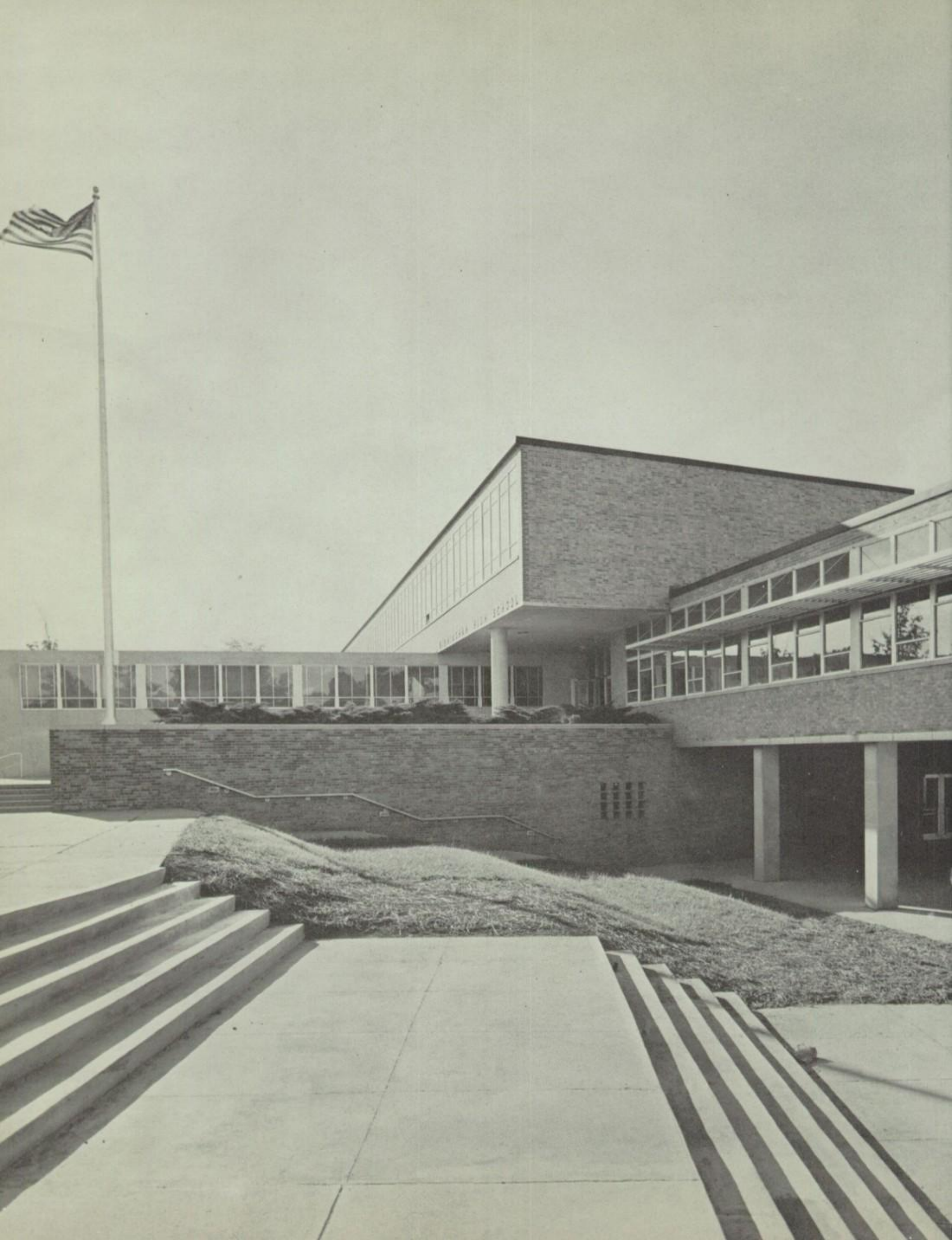
When Don was about to leave for home, he asked Klaus to come to America. Doubtfully Klaus agreed to ask his father. The next day he disappointedly reported that his father had replied wtih a firm No. Don said, "Let me talk to your dad". "Then," Klaus says, "Don brain-washed my father, and he agreed to let me come to the United States." He followed Don, arriving in Birmingham about the end of September.



Arriving with longer locks and sideburns, Tom was asked if he was a follower of Elvis. "No, no!" he remonstrated. "I love the classical music. If my haircut is like Elvis's, I'll have a haircut right away!" He hurried to a barber shop and got his first American brushcut. Mr. Allen puts on the finishing touches.

"Root beer? You mean you drink beer?" demanded an astonished Hely when Paula Struck took her out for her first American hot dog. Paula, Hely and Klaus enjoy an after - school snack and relax after a busy day.

But you would never know it



First impressions are always interesting

First impressions are not always accurate, but they are always interesting and often lasting. Our own members of the United Nations noticed many things different from their own countries.

Hely was at first amazed at the highways that cut through the cities, and at the neon lights that gaudily decorated the streets, sometimes with "Eat at Joe's". Drive - in restaurants fascinated her.

Tom's surprising introduction to American English was the greeting he received from his American brother at the bus station in Detroit: "What say, Man, what say?" Says Tom, "My answer was not what I'd say now. It was "I BEG your pardon!"

All of our exchange students asked for pictures of the high school to take back with them to their homes to show parents and friends. "I want my family to see my beautiful home", said Klaus.

Tommy was amazed to see the thousands of STOP signs that adorn street corners in American towns. In Portugal policemen guard busy intersections. Motorists watch out for themselves at other corners. Tom and Ed Estes hope someone will STOP and give them a ride home.

Television sets in every size and price range, in black and white and color, were among things Hely, Tom and Klaus had to get used to. Anxiously awaiting another cowboy show, Elsbeth Sweeney, Tarbaby and Fritz von Rosen are typical of the thousands of Americans who glue themselves to TV sets during favorite program hours.

Signs, TV are novel to them

Hely, Klaus and Tom all received class rings as gifts from Cicerone Club. Klaus loved his so much he kept slipping it on and off until he found his finger had swollen so badly that he could not get his ring off. A little cold water and soap remedied this and cured him of the habit.

All three liked the school and were impressed by it, especially the gymnasium. They were surprised at first by the friendly atmosphere, not only among students but also between teachers and students. The easy informality amazed them because they were used to the more formal European schools. Food, too, is different, they agree. But all, especially Klaus, are fond of hot dogs and malteds.

"We never have so much snow in Portugal," exclaimed Tommy. The Winter Wonderland scenes were something of a new experience for him, though not for Hely and Klaus. "I like everything but the shoveling part," admits Tom.

All three unanimously agreed that they like best of all the friendliness of the Birmingham students. Punch Le Messurier and Pat Berry display the cheery smiles and quick "Hi, there!" that express the spirit of Maple hospitality.

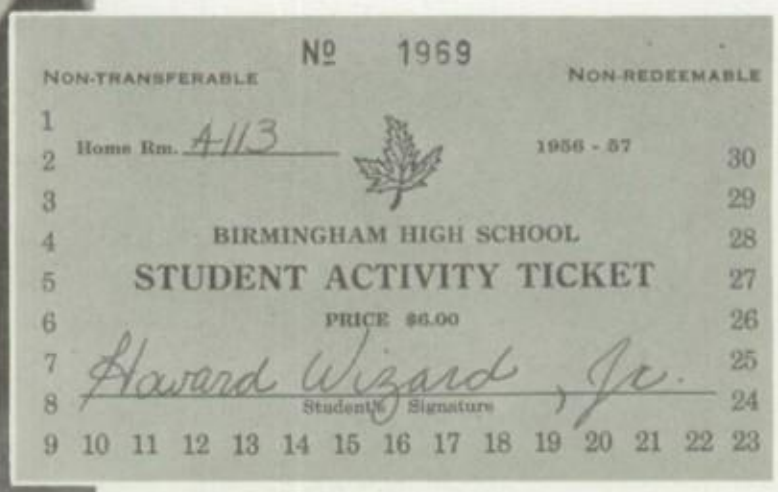
Commenting on Birmingham fashions, Hely exclaimed, "I never saw so many Bermuda shorts!" She likes them, though, has some of her own, and plans to take a pair home for her nine - year - old sister. Linda Burkman, Jane Cunningham and Karen Wilson typify the Birmingham look in Bermudas as they enjoy a chat with Dave Randolph.

We contributed money for the

We were a much smaller school than last year but still big enough to float the Activity Ticket, the best package deal a school could have. Neatly covered are 18 dollars worth of plays, sports, publications, concerts, assemblies, and what-have-you all for six dollars.

Early in the fall, sale of the Activity Ticket is the first big project of the year for Student Congress. Only about a week is allotted to sales because the first home football game is one of the bargains.

The Activity Ticket helps to support assemblies of wide variety and excellent quality. The frequent programs provide a welcome break in the routine of day - to - day classes. Everyone gets into the act in the annual Torch Drive auction assembly. As Bev Ford calls another bid to the auctioneers, students hastily pool their funds to try to raise the bid again.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Student's Signature
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No Activity Ticket holder missed the thrills of the many sports events of the year. Maple fans turned out to a man in pouring rain, blizzards or blazing sun to cheer their teams.

activity ticket fund, got your money's worth in benefits

Because most students recognize that we can support more and better activities under the ticket system, the sales generally go over big. This year about 92 per cent purchased tickets. The drop of two per cent from 1955 might be accounted for by the new driving law. Although we had no freshmen, younger students found themselves unable to come back for night affairs.

The ticket supports many activities that do not have any way of being self-supporting. Hence a richer, fuller program can be offered.

It's Thursday again - Highlander day. The circulation staff has just finished delivery of Highlanders to the five buildings of the school. Activity Ticket holders benefit by receiving the paper at the bargain package price. Everybody reads the Highlander! Gibby Slater, Bryant Hilliard, Martha Baker, Gail Patrick, Peggy Nothoff and Anne Alexander scan the latest edition.

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All classes pitched in willingly on money-raising projects

Ordinary trucks were quite inadequate for the job, the juniors found in their enormous paper drive. So to handle the huge quantities of paper accumulated from all over town, Gail Patrick's father obliged with his big moving vans. Assisting in handling and loading are John Duncan, Dave Lowrie, Nicky Parsons, Lauern Walker, Ann Garrison, Pete Brink, Carl Reynolds and Gail Patrick.

Everything from comic books to Fortune Magazine was salvaged in the junior paper drive. A Save - Your - Paper reminder was sent to each member of the class in late summer. At a street dance the drive was officially launched, the admission price being one bundle of paper per person.

During the next week every available junior was recruited for service. These hustlers canvassed the entire city, not a basement, not a garage escaping their prying eyes. Cars were loaded to capacity. Then they wended their way to the parking lot, and loads were transferred to waiting vans.

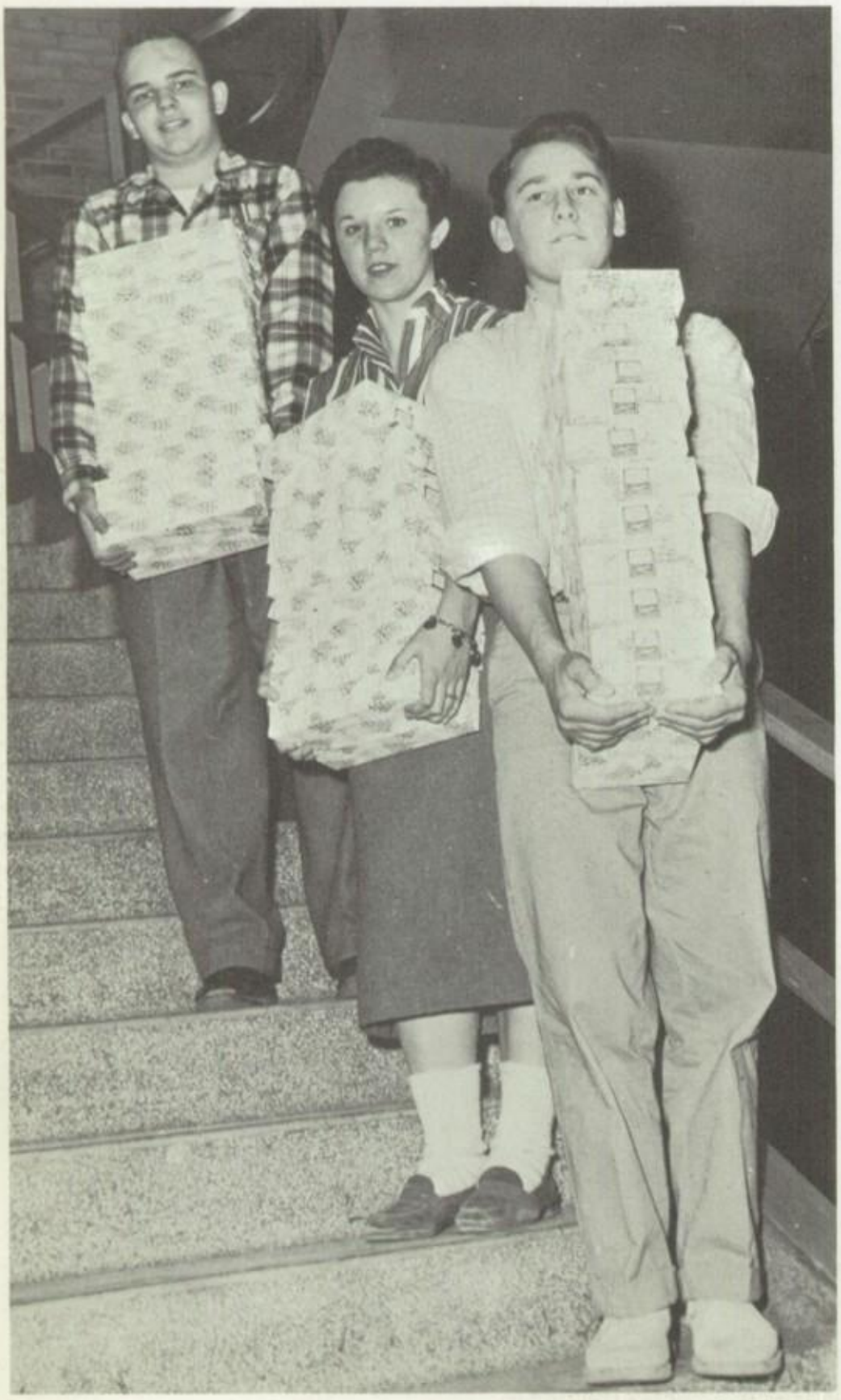
Finally in a paper strewn lot the vans were packed full. More than 45 tons of paper were on the way to market. Into the junior piggy bank went 490 dollars.

Trying to persuade juniors Bob Guyer, Jan Lynch and Lynn Sutherland to buy tickets to Circa Scenium are Mickey Michaels, Sue Burkhart and Sue Tabor. Seniors sold tickets to supplement their class treasury and credit various amounts toward their graduation fees.

Joyce,
TO A REAL CUTE KID
who's FUN to be
with. Never Forget
The FUN we've HAD
together. You KNOW I
think your really TOPS.
Best of LUCK
ALWAYS TO A Lovely Person.

GARY
'58

Many worked hard on paper drives and variety shows



It was a brand new idea - why not sell candy for profit at Christmas time? So over 500 sophomores sold 5710 pounds to 5000 residents of Birmingham.

When the Fred Sanders Company arranged to deliver the order, officials estimated that it would take five or more of their regular panel trucks to do the job. Finally a large freight truck was called into service.

The nearly three tons of candy, added to the weight of distributors, was too great for the floor of any one room. So two were used as unpacking and sorting stations. On D (for Delivery) Day, 26 trips to and from the truck brought 263 cases of Christmas chocolates to the stations. From stations the candy was delivered to the 17 homerooms and thence to the 570 sophomore salesmen.

A net profit of 2597 dollars was earned in this largest project ever undertaken by one class in Birmingham High School.

Bearing many pounds of Christmas chocolates, Jim Louden, Mary Cork and Bill Cheer help distribute to sophomore homerooms. But along with some 500 other sophs, they will share in the fun later.

Helping to unload the big truck are Jim Lewis, Larry Sarten, Paul Boudreau, Jeff Atkinson, Dave Carlisle, and Bill Stark.

Sanders
DETROIT
GOOD THINGS TO EAT

As goes Birmingham

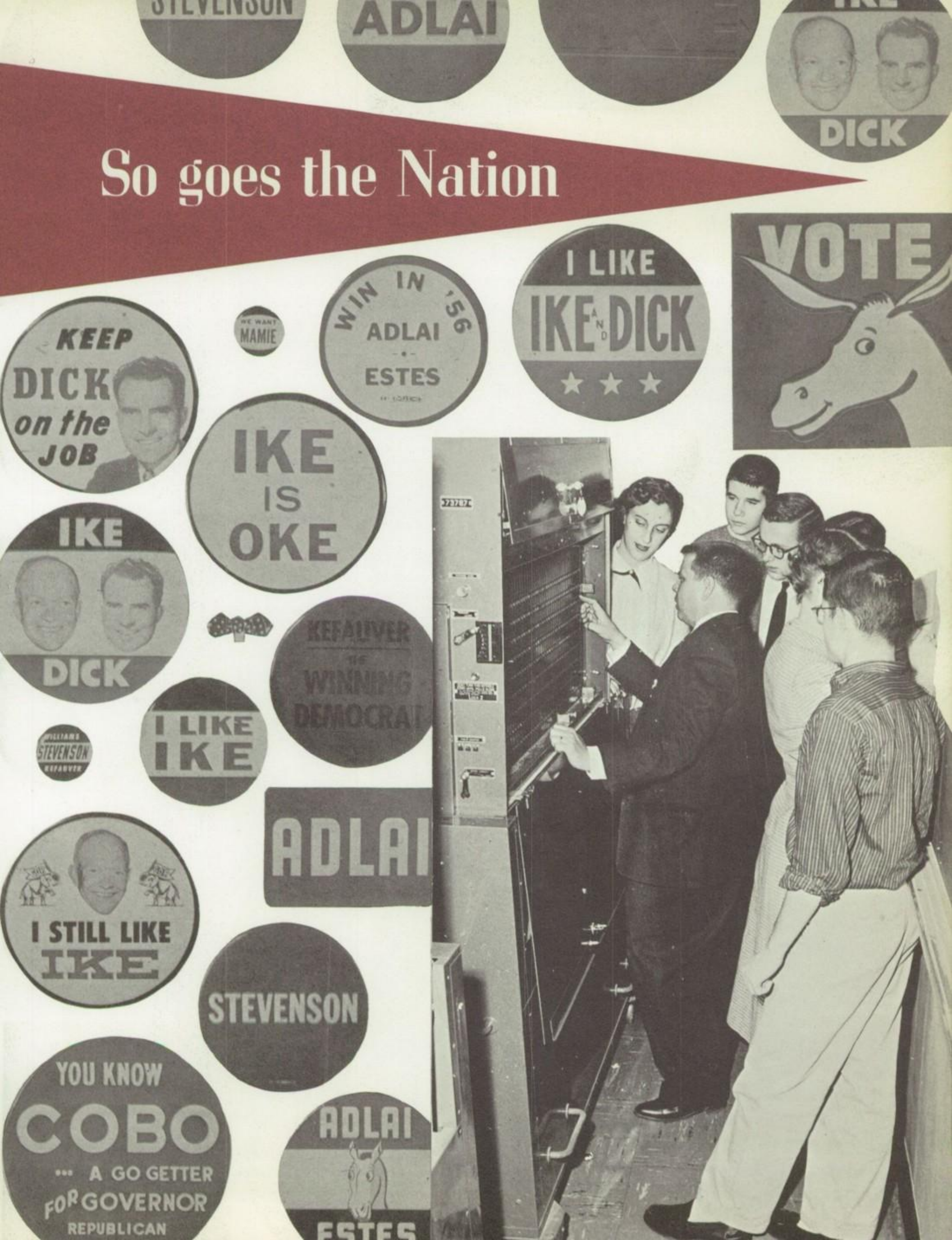
As early as September, we knew just how the election would go - and not from consulting opinion polls, either! Of course, it was in co-operation with the Student Opinion Poll that we had our national election; but we heard nothing at all from other pollsters.

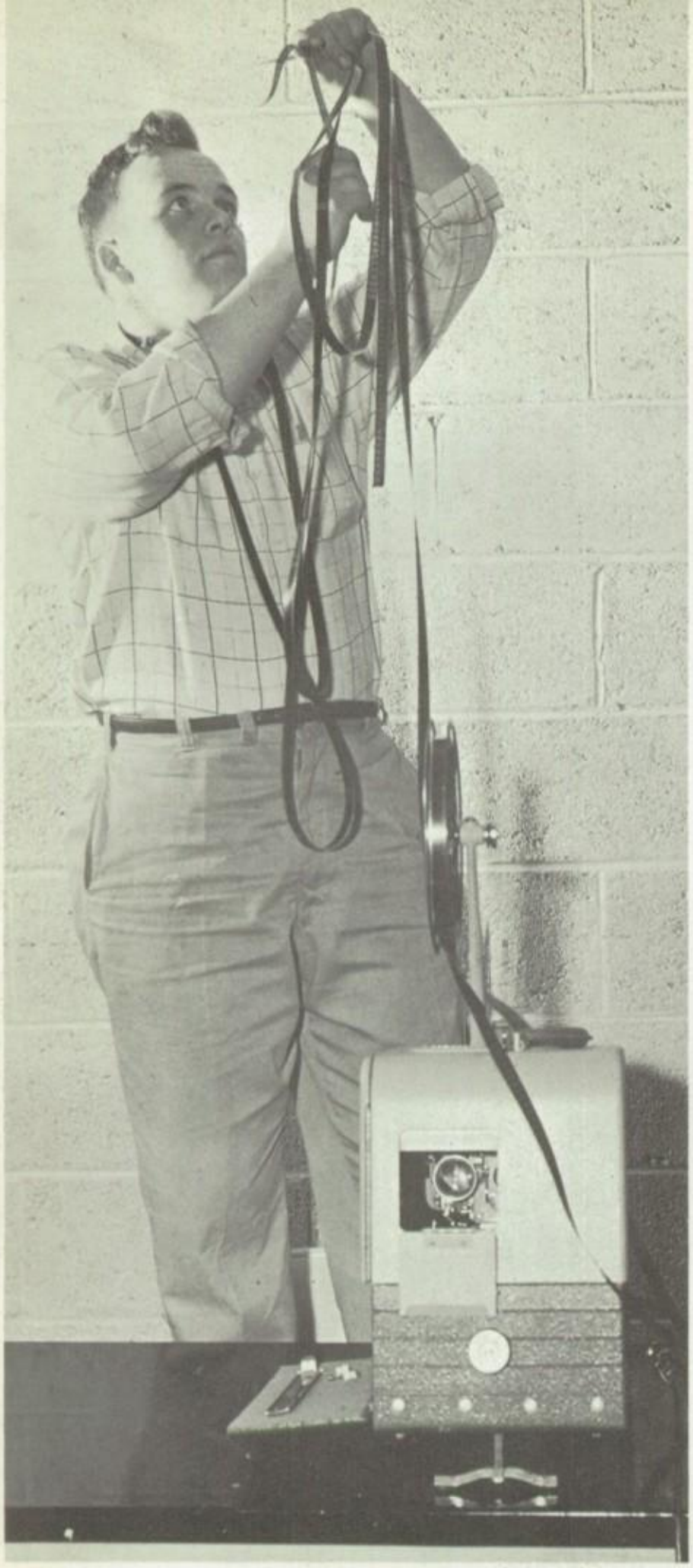
Of some 1460 students, 1129 voted for Ike and Dick, and Republican straight down the line. Only 23 said they were Independents. Of the 312 remaining, only a few over 100 voted Democratic. More than 80 were absent from school or unable to vote, and a few - as usual - spoiled their ballots.

So when November 6 came, and the tallies showed a landslide vote for President Eisenhower, no one here was surprised. Our sample vote showed almost exactly the same results, percentage-wise. So the saying became common: "As goes Birmingham, so goes the nation".

Mr. Richards supervised the BHS national election, and his civics classes tallied the votes. He later instructed students in use of the voting machines, not used in the election because ballots furnished by the Opinion Poll had to be used. Receiving instructions are Mickey Michaels, Kem Hogan, Fred Finkenauer, Pete Brink.

So goes the Nation





Eagerly we gave for AFS

To your spirit true,
To your kindness, too
To your unquenchable fire,
To your great desire,

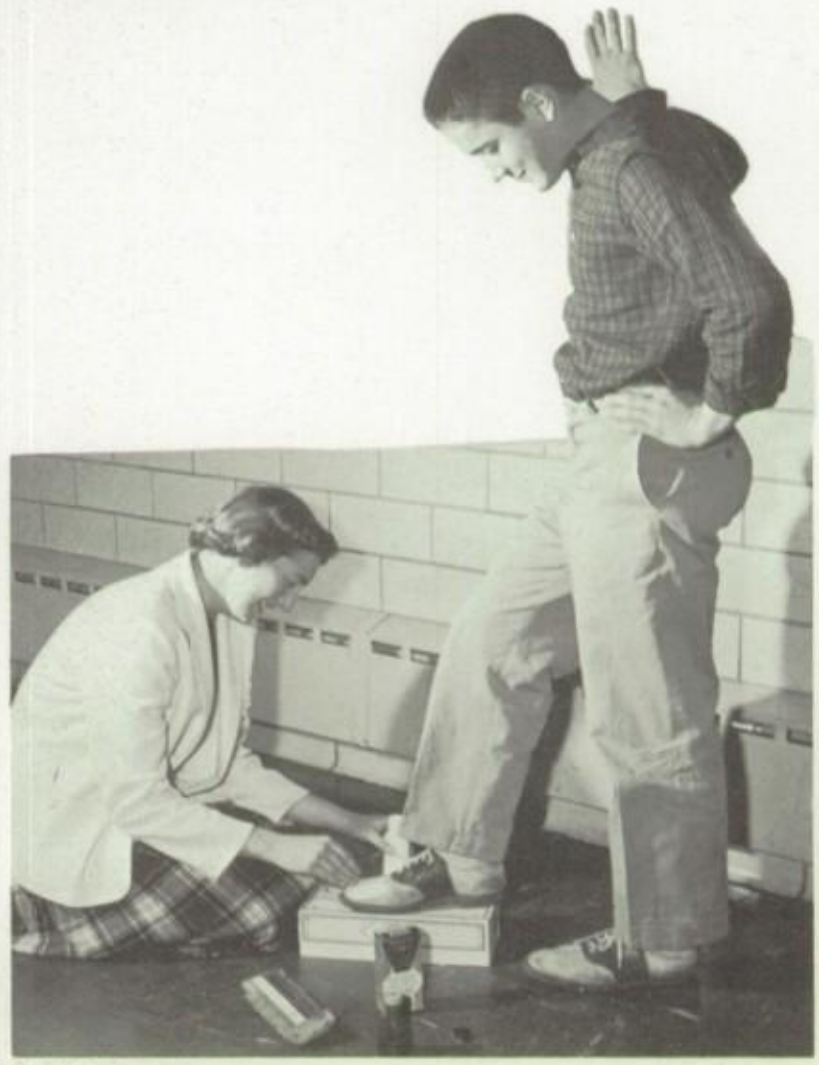
To the laboring slave, the shoe shining set,
The candy maker, the car washer wet,
To the cookie chefs, to packers of lunch,
To all of you, an inspired bunch.

Here's to a future with Hely's and Tom's
To a world not disturbed by battles and bombs.
This is so small a price to pay
For peace, understanding, the brotherly way.

Most ingenious money-making projects occurred to the inventive mind of Mr. Richards. Turkey Day game movies narrated by Coach Lemle, Kleenex sales, car washes, tearing down an outhouse and chicken coop—these were only a few of the many things undertaken to bring a grand total of 203 dollars and one of the new foreign exchange students into his homeroom.

Our own popular calypso singers, the Matistas, contributed generously of their own brand of entertainment to help sail the American Field Service ship across the sea-that is, to bring Birmingham two more exchange students next year. Sue Bollinger, Jim McDonald, Linda Bliss, Bob Sawyer, Frank Gibboney, Don Booth, and Tim Usher.

"Shine, mister?" Gib Slater smiling obliges Jim McGuire -for a price of course. Monopolizing the shoe shining business, the junior homeroom tracked down every dirty shoe in BHS, working hard for the American Field Service goal-a big contribution to the fund.



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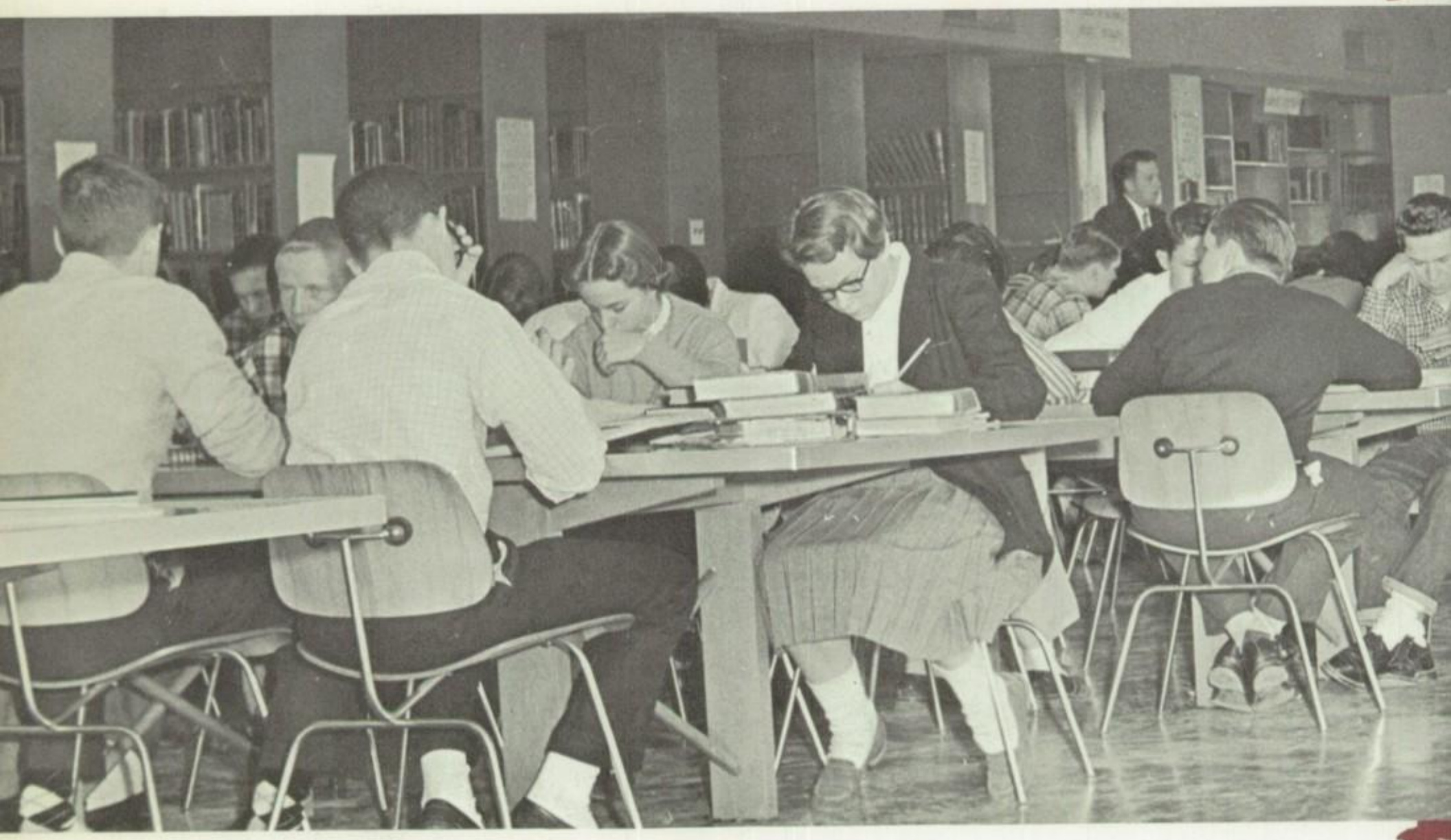
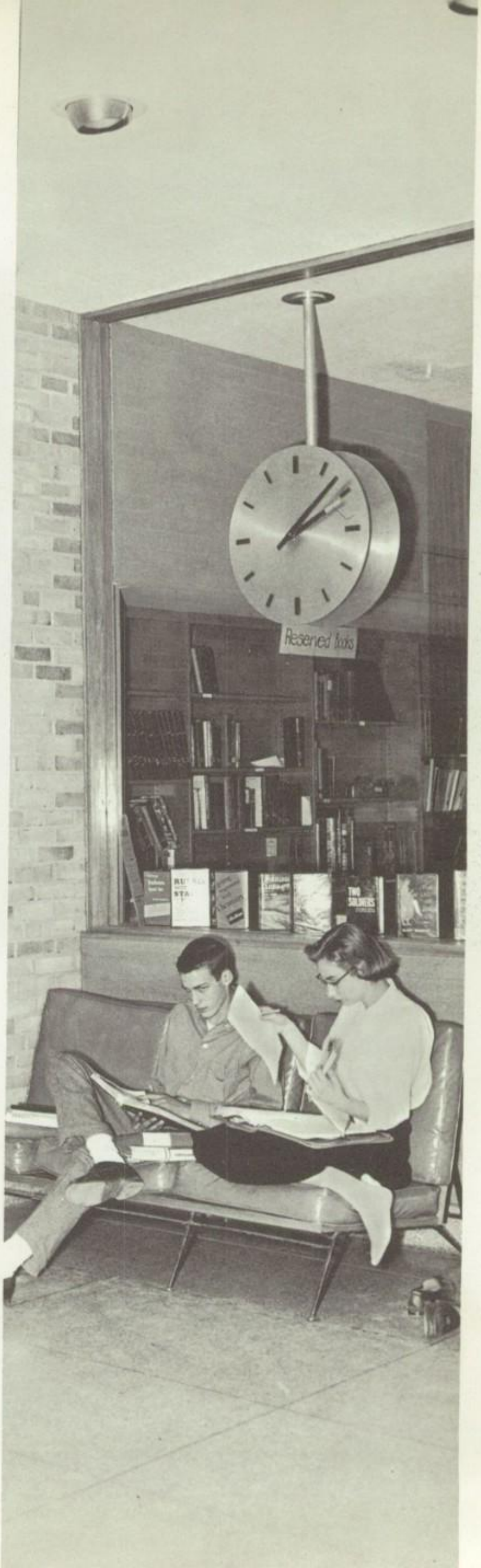


In Learning

That's what we're here for seems to be the attitude of most of us as we leave the building night after night with armloads of books and head for sessions of homework. Birmingham standards are high; it takes real work to meet them. But the payoff is in the high rank of our students in colleges everywhere; our place in the top two per cent in the nation in the Iowa tests; the highest number of students in the entire state to qualify in the SQT screening tests. It's satisfying to know that our school is first of all an educational institution.


Reserved Books

Barbara Rice

Curtis Lather

Our library interests and invites us

Beautiful and truly functional is the library of our high school. Directed by two competent and interested teacher - librarians, the library renders many services to students and teachers.

Though the library has hundreds of books, adding other hundreds each year, yet there are many yards of stacks that are still empty. But the number of books, pamphlets and reference materials has increased enormously in the five years we have been in the new school.

Art, China, biology, Caesar, scissors, mythology, India - these are just a few of the wonderful things that can be investigated in our library. Here in a beautiful, large, quiet, well - lighted room, all the world is ours for the asking.

As for variety, how many students can boast that at home they have biographies, autobiographies, the best of fiction, the world's greatest non-fiction, all leading magazines, newspapers, digests, pictures, clippings, at their disposal at just the push of a door and pull of a drawer?

Every hour of the day many students seek the library, looking for material for special reports, term papers, outside reading, or perhaps an hour of leisure pleasurably spent with a book. Or magazines or newspapers may invite to the browsing corner.

The library is also building for the future. Every year all teachers and departments are given an opportunity to select books and other materials. As many of these are ordered as the budget permits.

The teacher - librarians have set up a course in library science and teach a class in it. This provides a number of trained assistants to help with the many hours of work required to prepare books for use. The preparation includes checking in, cataloguing, carding, covering, numbering and shelving.

The entire east and north sides of the library consist of window wall, flooding the room with natural light and making it a cheerful, sunny place to work. When surrounding construction is completed, the view from the windows will be one of great beauty, looking out over the campus toward the arboretum and rolling lawns. Beautiful natural wood furniture is completely modern and of the most practical type. The atmosphere is one to encourage thoughtful study and losing oneself in the far world of books.

Students study great literary works and try their hands

No doubt many of us have often wondered just what is so magical in those words left to posterity by Shakespeare long years ago. Or perhaps why Dickens is still able to enthrall very-much-alive young Americans with a tale of English pomp and French nobility.

As freshmen we take a first excursion into literature when we encounter Great Expectations and read of poor Pip with his famous pork pie and his weekly visits to play with the deathlike Miss Havisham.

With greater confidence, the sophomores again meet their friend Dickens and are safely conducted by him through the bloody French Revolution. Finally after a brief chat with a strange old mariner who tells a fascinating tale of a fateful albatross, the rapt students find themselves juniors.

Alice Price

Sherman Tarrant

Projects are not often as lethal as this man - sized Madame Guillotine made to add to enjoyment of A Tale of Two Cities. With trembling hands and silent prayers, Barb Splawn, Gordon Mac Cleery and John Hutchinson demonstrate how the machine works.

One block of senior English is the term paper or research theme for which many sources are used. Linda La Marre scans a reference for just the information she needs and makes notes for her paper.

Mary Hartwick

Henrietta Cortright

Dorothy Young

Howard Clayton

at creative writing

Here poetry, both exciting and beautiful, is read and enjoyed to the fullest. Now we are mature enough to read The Scarlet Letter and to sail with whalers seeking Moby Dick. Another exciting year of experiences ends.

As seniors we round out our knowledge. Again we commune with Shakespeare, reading his immortal Hamlet and Macbeth. We survey our literary heritage from Beowulf and Chaucer to writers of our own time. Again we sail the seas, this time with the terrible Captain Bligh on the ill-fated Bounty. But writing is not neglected; that wouldn't do with college but a few months away. Therefore many short papers are produced, some creative, some run - of - the - mill. A major task is the term paper, written to learn the how to. When we graduate, we feel that our English preparation is of the very best.

Armed with reading lists, juniors prowl the library seeking books with high credit ratings to collect the required number of points. Abby Sweeney, Gayle Pacult, Keppy Patton.

Checking with the final authority, Webster's unabridged dictionary, is the best way to get ready for a vocabulary quiz. A gift from a friend, the big dictionary is Miss Allen's pride and joy and the only unabridged in the English department. Doreen Conley and Harvey Sellner consult the book to settle all argument.

Mary Bernecker

Freda Richards

Charles Buell

Barbara Rodal

Mildred Swart

Dorothy Allen

We study social science

Being normal sophomores, we embarked upon world history with some apprehension. We soon learned that the past is responsible for the present; to understand today, we must know about yesterday. So we spent a year on backgrounds of nations, ancient civilizations, two world wars, and the possibility of a third. Foreign countries were brought closer, their people better understood.

After world history we could see that our country is young among nations, but a husky youngster. In American history we thrilled to the patriotism of the signers of the Declarations of Independence and were saddened by the tragedy of the Civil War. We heard with new understand ing the Gettysburg Address by a great and humble man. Our country's part in world wars, her present desire for peace; her welcome to refugees from Hungary, everywhere - gave meaning to her past.

As a special project for their history class, these boys demonstrate how a Roman aqueduct functioned. Pouring the water is Harry Nimmo; Dick Africano catches the flow.

New this year is an introductory sociology course known as PAL (Problems in American Living). As one of their projects, students take movies of each other showing the ten defense mechanisms people use when confronted with problems. Observing, photographing and demonstrating are Larry Methner, Judy Neff, Elaine Palmer, Alice Sawyer, Warne Todd, Gale Christie, Jim Yeomans, Ron Zano, John Thurber, Jane Severs, Dale Burrows, Ted Murray, Nancy Cope, Dee Heatherson.

Donald Golliher
Counselor

Donald Grothe
Counselor

Elizabeth Haro
Counselor

Raymond Gault
Counselor

Arthur Delvero

Living, then and now, is our topic

For seniors there are four courses, all elective except civics, required by Michigan for graduation. Civics gives us training in national, state and local government, with much practical experience in elections, civic control day, commission meetings. International relations, with our own United Nations, gives further understanding of many nations, their people and governments. Economics is a practical course, its more interesting phases dealing with budgets, advertising, consumer education and finance. Problems in American Living is the new sociology course taught by counselors.

Two throwbacks to the Charleston and It Girl era give the American history class a lesson in entertainment of the 1920's. Sandy Heflin and Bob Stephenson.

Edward Taras

Robert Nunn

J. Jay Myers

Betty Ferguson

Robert Richards

Edward Stroko

George Pappas

Carl Lemle

Virginia Louis

Celia Ransom

Hazel Ladd

George Cooch

Marian Hopkins

Knowledge of other languages aids world understanding

"Feeling! Expression! Come, come, you are supposed to be saying something!" This is the perennial complaint of language teachers. Response varies, startles. One bemused Latin student, thus exhorted, nearly deafened hearers with his "BEHOLD!" In la classe de francais, students point dramatically, repeat feelingly, "Voila la fenetre!" Earnest Spanish students ask, "Como esta usted?"

The Spanish newspaper was the brainstorm of Bill O'Toole. So he and Don Walsh formed a partnership and began publishing the paper and distributing it among members of the Spanish classes. The sheet features stories on current topics ranging from the Hungarian revolution to Elvis Presley. Don and Bill hurry to meet a deadline.

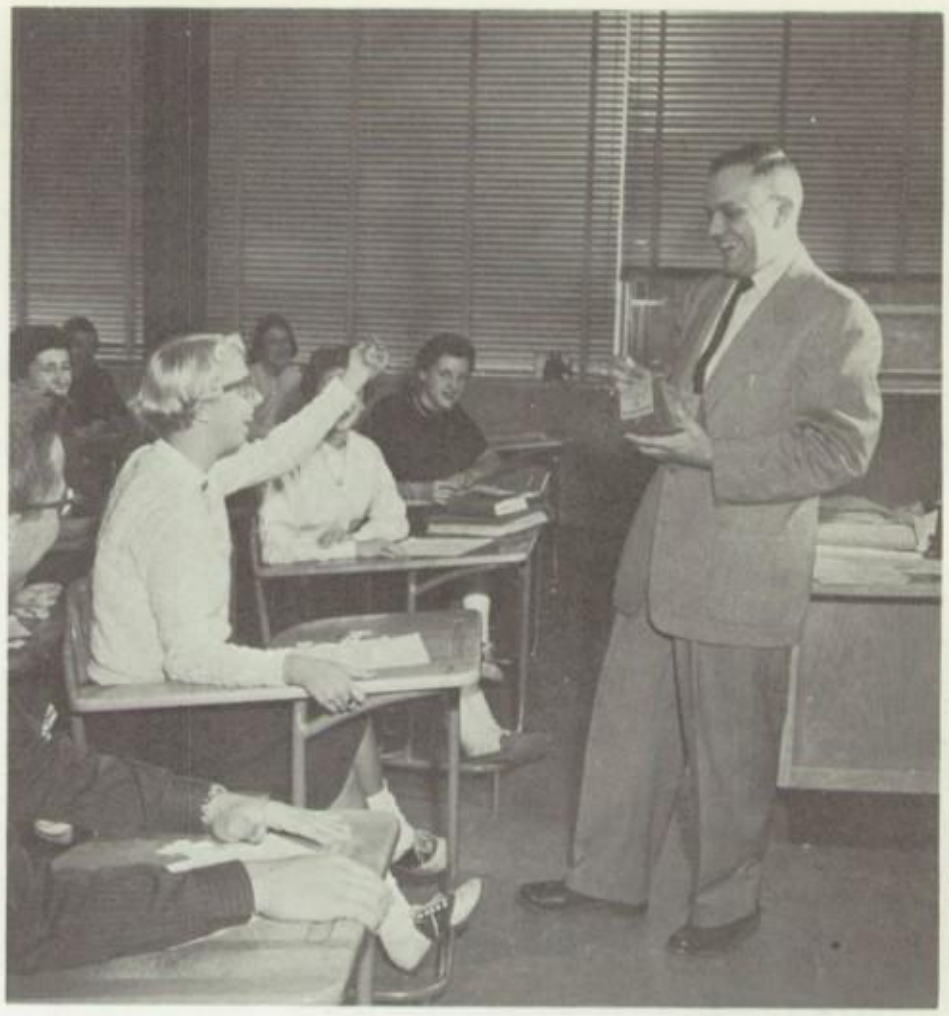
The third year Spanish classes study aspects of Spanish culture, including the music, dance, art, literature and history of the traditional country. Sue Boynton, Dave Cook, Ginny Naylon and Diane Gardner show their conception of the Mexican Hat dance.

Languages are important

Latin classes come alive as they pass from happy farmers in white cottages to Medusa with snakes for hair. Sophomores struggle with subjunctives and barbaric Gauls. Interest aroused by impressive projects made by predecessors, many go on for a third year of Latin. They delve into political intrigues of Cicero's Rome, follow the wanderings of pious Aeneas.

Culture and customs of Latin American neighbors live as Spanish students gain proficiency. Necessary if not loved are grammar sessions, made palatable by interspersion with movies, letters to pen pals, records, games and Christmas carols. Third year students speak only Spanish and publish a newspaper in that language.

French students follow records for pronunciation. Grammar comes more easily with textbooks and novels. Skits and games provide practice and are lots of fun.



"Bango!" cries Nancy Beier triumphantly. To inject variety into his French classes, Mr. Cooch introduced this French version of the American game of bingo. Playing with Nancy are Steve Taylor, Jane Mohler, Ellen Rosselot, Alice Sawyer and Judy Walker.

The pageantry and excitement of ancient Rome live again for Latin students who spend many hours working out intricate details of projects. Frank Baglin, Penny Ball and Tom Brown are relieved that their scala, catapult and model camp are at last complete.

Geometry students find the informal conference helpful in getting ready to attack difficult homework assignments. The conference provides help for the confused, and involved proofs and intricate constructions are more readily understood. Hoping that three heads are better than one, Betsy Bauer, Jim Adrean and Chris Carlson give each other a little first aid.

Intricate graphing and solutions of complex equations are but a few of the problems which confront algebra students. At first baffled by one unknown quantity and a + b = c, they soon use these as simple steps to mastery of more difficult and abstract work. Using an example of a new type of problem coming up in the assignment, Mr. Kersjes carefully explains the work to Nancy Todd, Joe Craig, Pete Sintz, Dave Paige, Linda Norton and Judy Flynn.

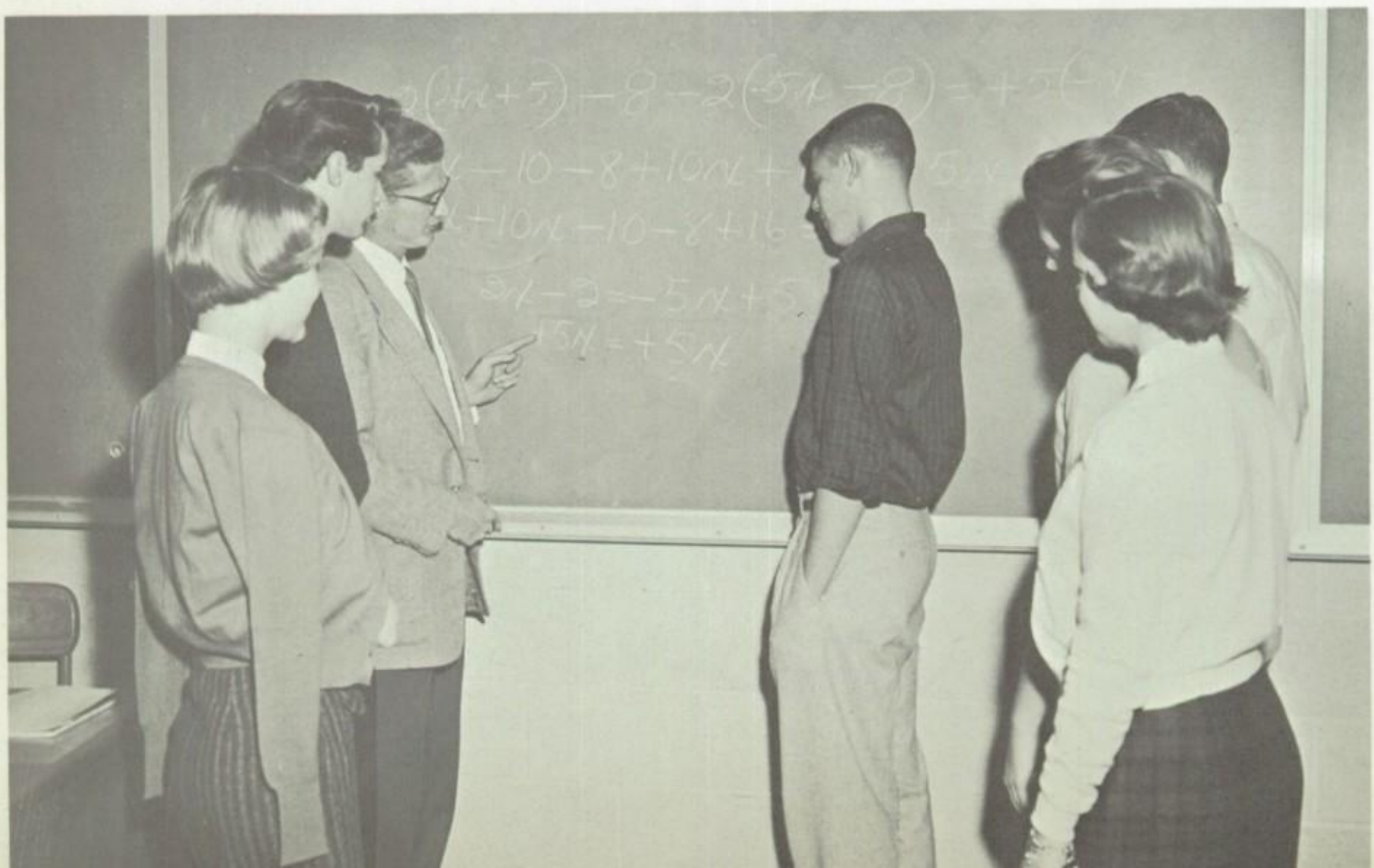
Math is important in all

X = Progress + World Peace. What does X represent? What is so vital in this atomic age? X symbolizes the constantly growing need for the science of mathematics. In the race for world supremacy, our very survival may depend on knowledge of this technical science. Mathematics is basic to countless discoveries, inventions.

Therefore our schools must continually revise and enrich the curriculum to meet demands. Today's high school students possess a more thorough knowledge than did many ancient Greek scholars. Keeping abreast of modern times, our school offers complete courses in mathematics.

Interest problems, simple formulas, and basic mathematics are mastered by freshmen in general courses. Working with everything from simple equations to intricate motion problems, students master the fundamentals of algebra. Those who venture into college algebra discover more complex factoring, quadratics and logarithms.

Armed only with compass and protractor, geometry students attack "plane and solid" theorems, corollaries, loci, and complicated involved constructions. Future engineers in trigonometry learn the importance of precise calculations in measurements of triangles. One small error in a trigonometry test spells doom. The three dimensions of prisms, cones and cylinders are explored in solid geometry classes.



types of professions

Charles Thumser

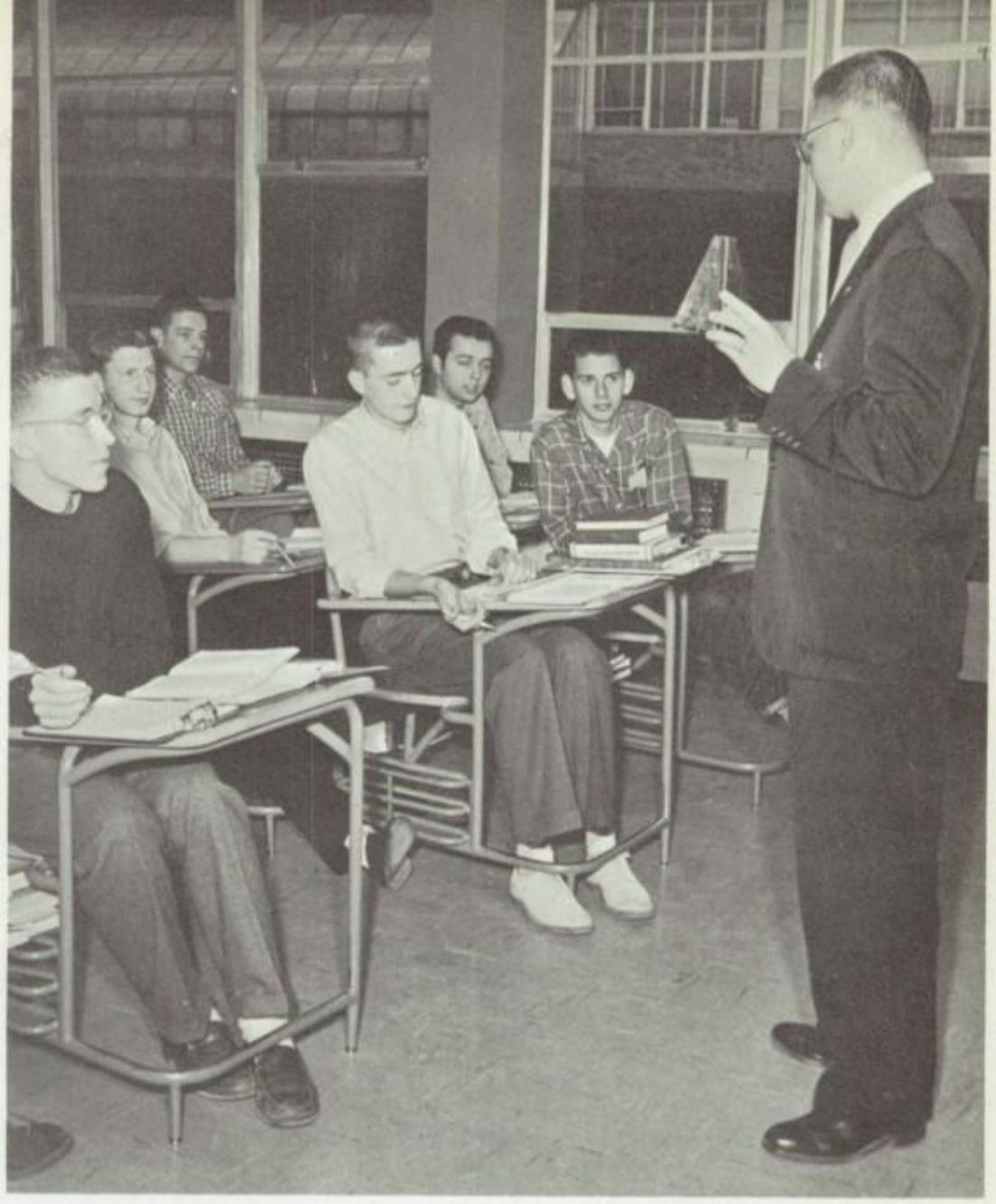
E. A. Hubbard

Arthur Kersjes

Harold Van Dragt

John Kish

William Sweeney



"You'd be lost, too, without a head!" says Mr. Thumser to his solid geometry class, explaining the frustum of a regular quadrangular pyramid. His attentive class members are John Kelly, Frank Wilson, John Clark, Ed Stutz, Herb Schefline, Bruce Epker and Klaus Parsch.

After days of classwork, "the hour of reckoning approacheth" - the test, that is. Advanced algebra presents a challenge to even the best students. Really bearing down on a tough one are Bob Yingling, Bob Paullette, Tom Fontaine, Dave Ritchie, Andy Brodhun, Dick Sokol, and Bob Harris.

Harry Carlson

Harold Newcomb

Lucille Paslay

H. Ross Scrimgeour

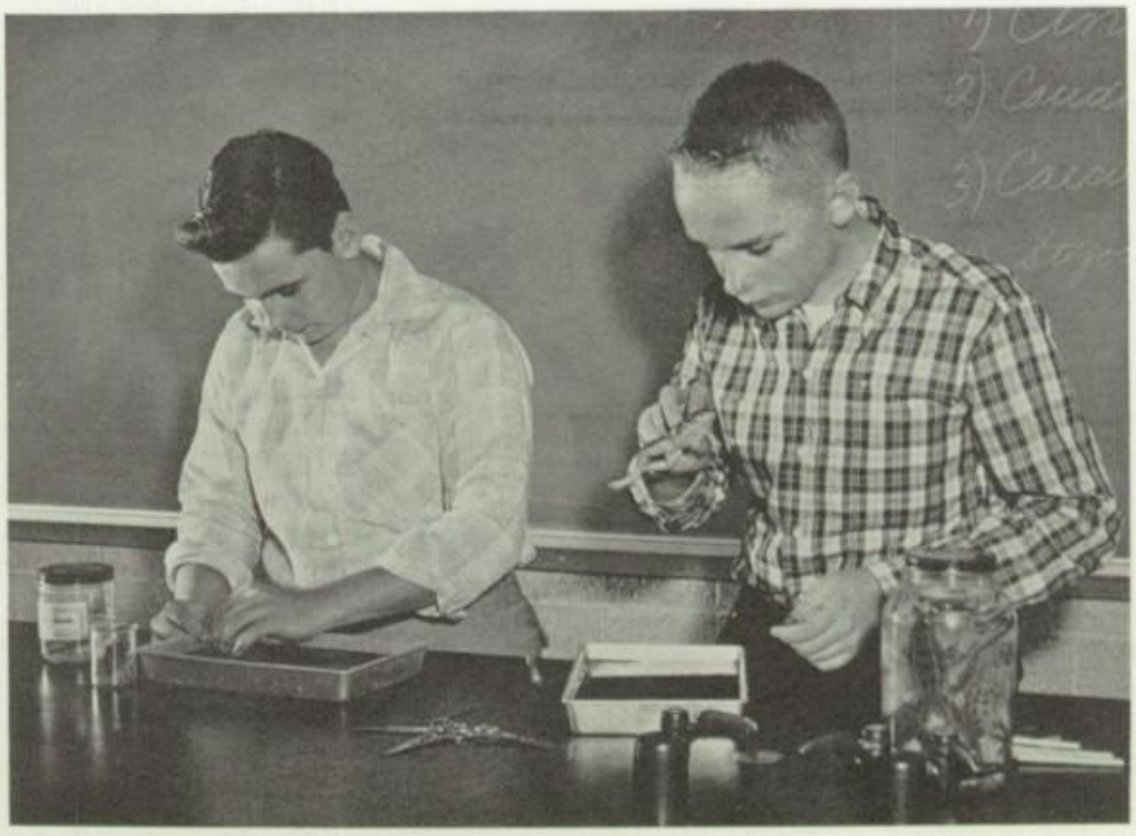
Ralph Battenhouse

Charlotte Will

There is no dearth of budding

When autumn comes and a smoky haze hangs over woods and fields, insect hunters crawl in grass and weeds, race over lawns, and hopefully turn over bits of log or branch: These are biology students, some frustrated in their attempts to capture their wary prey, some burning the midnight oil night after night before the collection is due, pinning specimens, gluing back fallen-off heads, re-attaching legs, wings, antennae.

But Time marches on. The age of worm and frog dissection is over. It is time to move on down the hall to chemistry. Here students learn to manipulate the slide rule, secretly wondering if there isn't an easier way. Here the olfactory nerve gets used to being assaulted by a variety of smells, most of them bad. But soon they find themselves employing the slide rule to figure their averages for the marking period - it's as simple as that! And the odors are at least bearable.



scientists and engineers around Birmingham High School

Experimenters work in the lab, eagerly watching the chemicals reacting upon each other. Strange mixtures bubble and smoke, everyone hoping the compound won't explode. After a few singed eyebrows and jaundiced fingernails, suddenly chemistry is fun!

In physics the watchword, the password, for every day in the school year is WORK. Hours in the library writing reports; hours at home writing up experiments; hours in the lab performing experiments; hours in the classroom listening to lectures, taking tough tests. Just hours and hours and hours - but work in college later shows the time was well spent! Students are almost glad they took the course back in high school!

With a swish of the net Bob Kipp captures another lepidopterous insect to add to his impressive collection. One of the fist signs of fall is hordes of biology students swarming over fields and roadsides working on the first project of the year.

It takes a bit of doing for even the student with a strong stomach to hang onto his poise during those first lab periods when everything is carved publicly from cow heads to octopi. The familiar smell of formaldehyde permeates the room as the slippery preserved specimen is made ready for dissection. Tom Sprung and Jim Lewis, preparing to work.

Chemistry experiments can be fascinating, exciting. They always bring to life what was only a page of type in the textbook. Taking an interest in the collection of hydrogen are Ron Jackson, John Holliday, Janet Mitchell, Carole Markhoff, Geoffrey Rappaport, Bob Hewitt, Virginia Horner, Ginger Backus, Paul Jones, Bob Croly, Jim Mc Guire, Eugene Donovan and Harvey Sellner.

To demonstrate the truth of Boyle's law - that volume increases as pressure decreases - Bill Cowgill and Dave Bahm prepare an experiment using a vacuum pump and a balloon. As the vacuum pump reduces the pressure, the air in the balloon expands, finally exploding it.

Homemaking is art and science

"Oh, no! I smell something burning!" is a familiar cry in the home economics department as another girl rushes to open her oven door. But from the rich experiences of this department will come the homemaker of tomorrow. Besides being the way to a man's heart, cooking takes time and knowhow.

For the clothing student there's the constant hum of the sewing machine or the snip of scissors cutting out a skirt pattern. Many a girl enters the course in September knowing nothing of sewing and leaves in January showing off a self-made dress that is right in style with all the expensive dresses her friends are wearing. Materials, color schemes, patterns, hand stitching are studied before garments are attempted. Then lots of time and work are required to complete three garments before the semester ends.

With dreams of the New Year's Eve dance, Ann Makemson and Jeannie Andrus put their practical talents to work on a chic velvet dress coat. It will be with a little secret thrill of pride that these girls will wear their self-made outfits at parties now and later.

Dixie Johnson

Barbara Thom

Girls gain rewarding experiences

A general course in homemaking is also offered to bring the girls up to date on all the newest tips in grooming, interior decorating, dating and good health.

Child study is hard work but most rewarding. Learning how to cope with difficult children, how to get an infant to eat, how to solve countless other problems keeps the girls busy a full semester and helps them in the business of living all the rest of their lives.

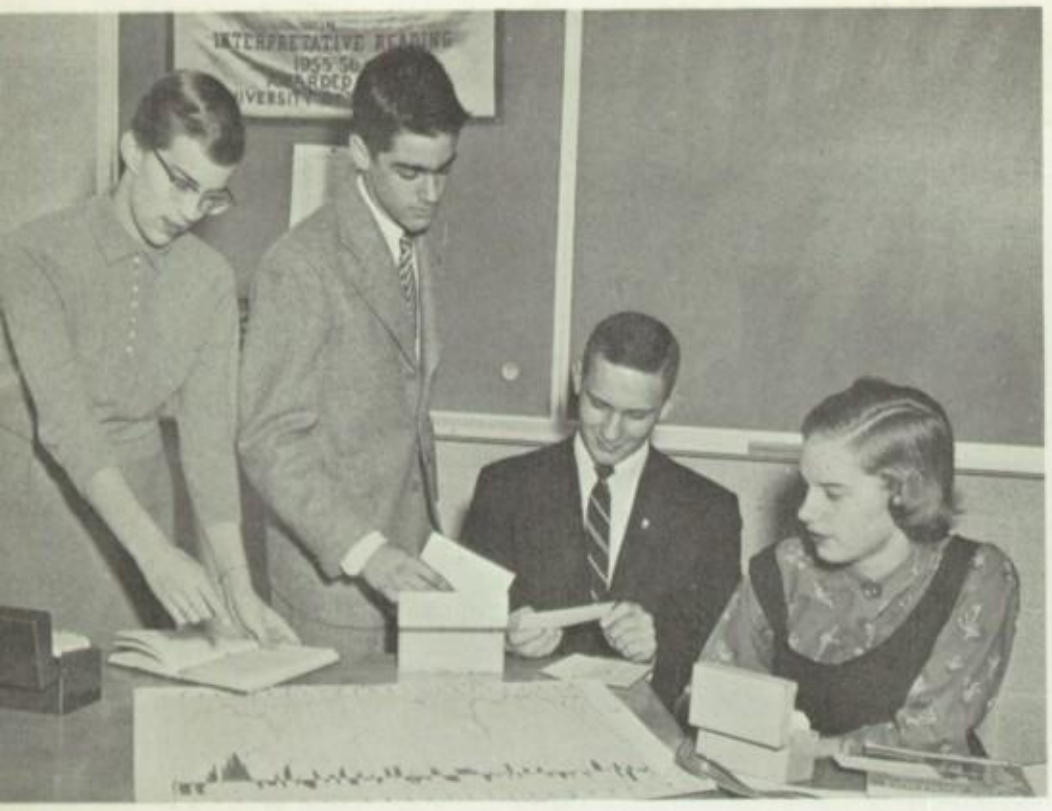
Pins, needles, bobbins and thread - to say nothing of patterns - are only a few of the working materials students of sewing need to collect for the start of a job. Pondering over some of the tricks of the trade are Barbara Sinclair, Mary Anne Curtis, Shirley Renshaw and Sue Polhemus.

"Mirror, mirror, on the wall, to be the fairest of them all." is one of the goals of the homemaking department. Hoping to benefit from a good grooming demonstration put on by Nancy Doherty are Pat Henny, the model; Judy Dickinson, Margo Mensing, Judy Rader.

Table settings for holiday teas give the practice that makes perfect for these girls in homemaking courses. Jean Vandekerck, Rosemary Fella, Diane Howard, Sue Burkhart, Anne Moore, Jackie Koski.

Baby s bath is the highlight of the day when it comes to activities engaged in by mother and infant. Slipperier than an eel is a soaped baby, and careful handling is required every minute. The bath routine and many other principles of infant care are covered in the course in child study. Training in the care of little children helps the girls now in their family duties or their baby sitting jobs and eases the trials of inexperience for future mothers. Mrs. Pacult with baby daughter Laurel Jean gives the girls many pointers on how to bathe a baby. Assisting her is Barbara Busch.

BHS debaters win honors



In preparing for a debate, members of the team must collect a vast fund of pertinent information and organize arguments. Information is noted on index cards, organized, and used in writing speeches. Comparing notes are Helen Cortright, Martin Weinrich, Dave Karns and Dory Rodgers.

Back of the 1956 - '57 teams lies a long and honorable history marked by countless awards. Under the able direction of Coach Charles Thumser, this year's squad is resolved to carry on the tradition. Dory Rodgers, Coach Thumser, Kathy Garrett; standing are Martin Weinrich, Dave Karns, Helen Cortright, Steve Taylor, Bob Yingling.

"In conclusion I urge you to reject the present farm policy and to support the topic: Resolved that the Federal Government should sustain the prices of major agricultural products at not less than 90 per cent parity".

The Birmingham debate team is concluding another winning contest. Undefeated in the 12 debates constituting the first half of their season, this year's debaters, beginning with only two experienced team members, soon developed into the best squad in the history of the school. The team brought home the championship of the Northern Division of the Detroit Metropolitan League, last won by Birmingham in 1952. Again qualifying for the state elimination tournaments, the team proved itself one of the top teams in Michigan.

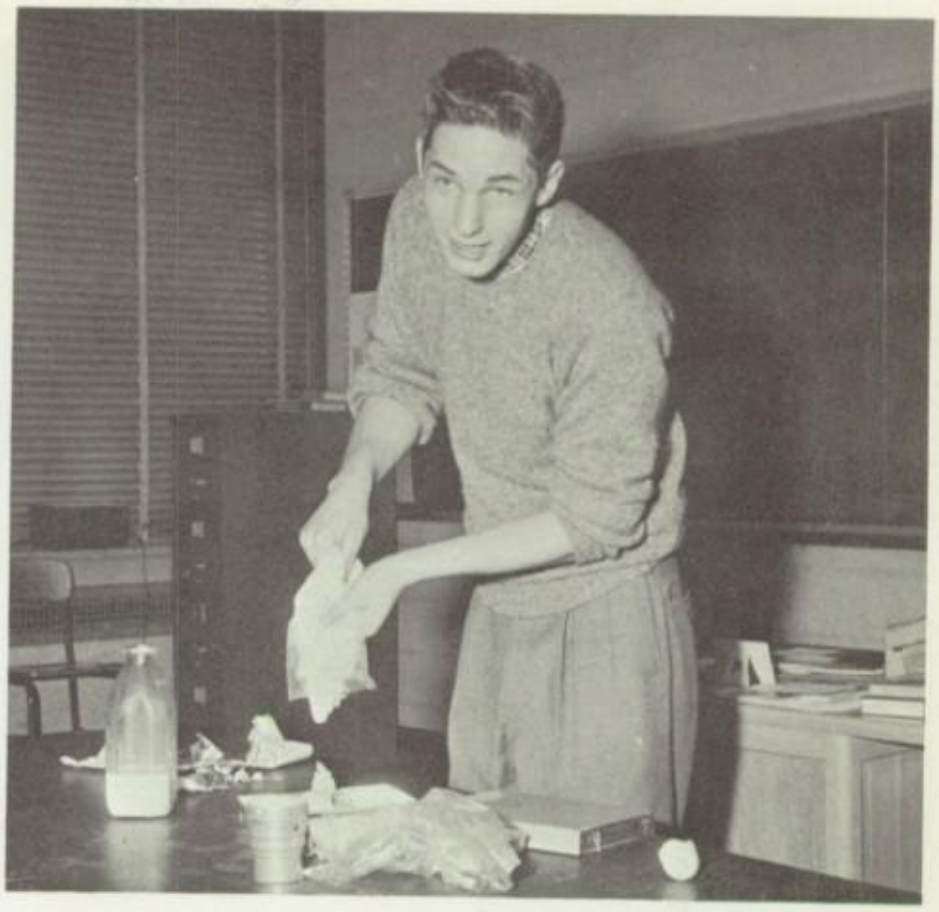
Besides bringing honor to the school in the true Maple spirit, debaters benefit by learning to analyze and refute arguments, to speak correctly, to organize material, and to look at both sides of a question.

There's fun in it, too, of course. There are the annual debate party, the heated class discussions, the friendly rivalry for places on the varsity - among other things that keep debaters returning to the squad year after year. Most important of all is the hard work, the enthusiasm, the pep. The championship debate team has and shows the real Maple spirit!

Speaking teaches poise

To give students experience, self-confidence, and poise before an audience, a complete course in speech is offered. Besides dramatics and practice demonstrations, the fundamentals of radio speech are studied. The course is designed to teach students organization and use of their own experiences as background for talks. However, students must learn to listen as well as to speak and must analyze the content and organization of each other's product. Valuable experience is gained when students are called upon to give talks before various clubs.

With brand new studios, the radio speech department is now equipped to provide students with a more thorough knowledge of the technicalities of broadcasting. Not only are they taught radio speech and acting, but also production techniques and engineering. Every Tuesday a program is taped for WPON, and each Thursday a live broadcast goes out over WCAR. On field trips to major Detroit stations students learn firsthand the fundamentals of production.



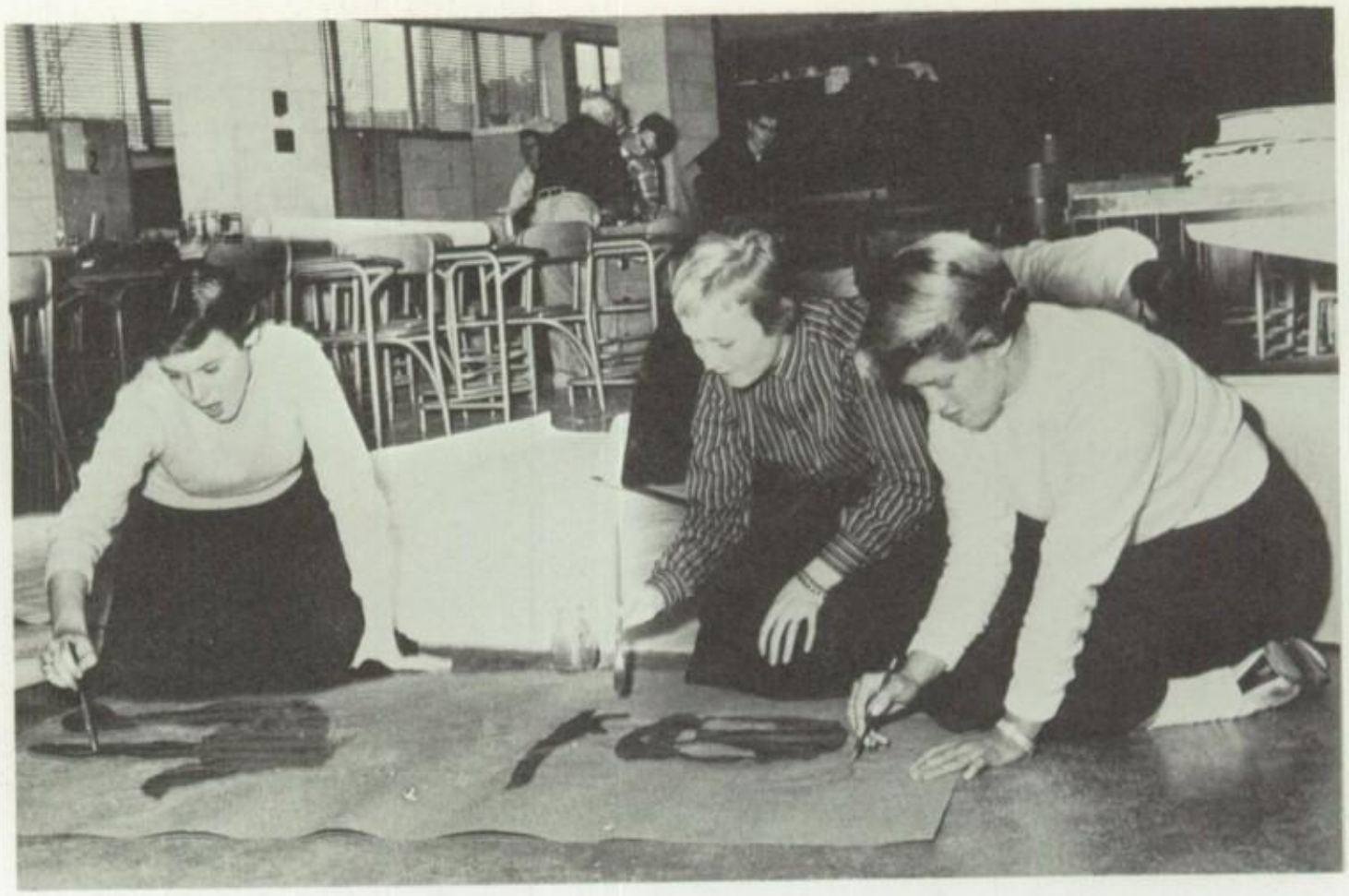
With the addition of three new studios and a control room, Birmingham High School now boasts broadcasting facilities comparable to commercial studios in the area. Gaer Guerber, Ken Sahlin, and Judy Frost test the equipment in the new control room.

One of the many techniques taught in speech is that of demonstration. Students in pursuit of A's demonstrated everything from wrapping packages to preparing complete dinners. The class watches and waits as Larry Hower prepares cornbread.

Angelo Angelocci

Monzelle Clark

Margaret Nichols



Art students express themselves through many media

Under the competent and interested instruction of Mrs. Nichols, excellent opportunities for developing talent or just expressing oneself through art await students of Birmingham High School. General art is a course that provides a preview of later ones in ceramics, weaving, commercial art, water color and oil. Throughout the year there are chances to experiment with charcoal, chalk, pastels, plastics, textiles, metal craft and other media.

Students desiring to specialize in ceramics soon find themselves poking, pinching, pulling and punching clay. An observer would see clay thrown on the potter's wheel, or students making plastic molds, contemplating the use of a friend as a victim, or model, that is.

Learning the loom is an introduction to weaving. To acquire speed, weavers race each other all down the room.

Art students make many of the school's best posters. They work in water color, oil or poster paints; many also do block printing, stenciling and silk screening. Included in the drawing and painting courses are fashion illustrating, lettering and layout. Though a student may not plan a career in art, courses are interesting in themselves and teach satisfying use of leisure time.

The variety show means clown, dances, chorus lines, rehearsals, and SCENERY! The art classes set paint brushes and imaginations to work, producing huge mural posters for Circa Scenium. Barb Parker, Judy Anderson and Bev Hait combine talent and effort to finish before the deadline.

Combining deft fingers with inspired imagination, Nancy Combs and Theresa Camp patiently fashion interesting and unusual pottery. Increasing in popularity yearly, courses in ceramics provide rewarding outlets for students' creative talents.

They give special services

Three years ago the first group of student-teachers came to us under the regional training program in co-operation with Michigan State University. Ever since, Birmingham has been a popular choice of State students from this area because of the friendliness of students, teachers and community. Birmingham was originally chosen for this program because of its superior school system, now known throughout the state and nation.

The student-teacher training program is a co-operative system which gives the schools of the state future teaching material while giving the student-teacher an opportunity to put theory into practice. Both benefit from it because the trainees help to relieve the great need for teachers when they graduate, and they get valuable experience by teaching under criticism and much of the time assuming the duties of a regular teacher.

The program has been quite successful in Birmingham. Many young teachers have gained valuable experience, and these have gone into many schools in the state as full time teachers.

The reading improvement program helps students increase their reading rate. It also teaches how to read various types of material. Reading for comprehension and retention are emphasized. A reading pacer machine with adjustable shade that rolls over the textbook with the speed desired trains the eyes to move faster. Using the machine are Jeannie Andrus, Lois Bernitt, Michael Madeleine.

Beginning to realize that a teacher's work is never done, student teachers Miss Sharon Kangas, Miss Barbara Jensen, Miss Janet Rose, Burton Stern, Miss Jean Schede, and Miss Ardath Casselman use their free hour in the teachers' lounge checking papers.

Piper workers battle against complication, time, fatique

Taking pictures for the Highlander and all sections of the Piper - especially the advertising section - were Warren Hardy, Larry Quinn and Barclay Gano. Generally they did their own developing and printing.

The transformation of the Piper from blank graph paper to the 1957 book was amazing even to the staff, who worked from three till at least 5:30 every night from October till April. Layouts materialized in dummy and on master sheets. Pictures were planned, schedules set up for photographers, pictures taken, and finally mounted.

Then inevitably came time to write copy. Long hours were consumed in invoking the creative spark and expressing ideas in words. Press nights came and went. The 250 pages dwindled; and suddenly it was early April and the deadline. The Piper was at last in the hands of the printer!

Thankfully the staff laid down blue pencils, pica rulers, cameras, appointment slips, rubber cement, and miscellany - and left school every night with the other students.

In September it seemed there was lots of time to produce that '57 Piper. Ideas were discussed in a leisurely way - for a while. Then the ideas had to be developed within the budget. This was the job of the editorial staff. Karen Koenig, Nancy Maxwell, Keppy Patton, Warren Hardy, photographer; Jane Sapala, Anne Lawrence, Nancy Bridenstine; Abby Sweeney, Sue Booker, associate editors; Judy von Rosen, editor - in - chief. Not in picture: Nancy Hagen and Jan Miller, associate editor.

Creating 248-page yearbook

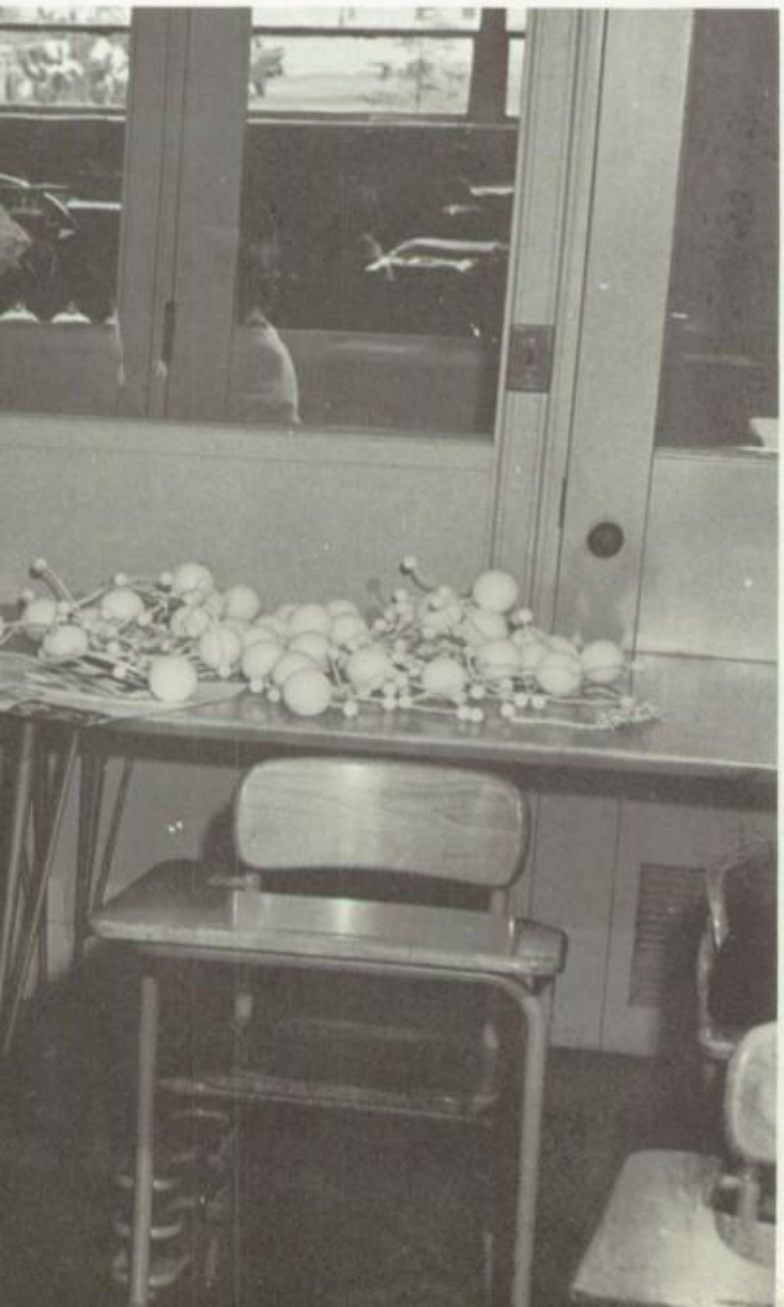
"We got . . . Piperitis!" exclaim busy members of the Piper staff as six o'clock comes and goes. The Piper started as a mere ghost of an idea, then as blue lines on graph paper. Gradually plans were developed on 25 per cent reduction master sheets. Pictures were scheduled; everyone volunteered to aid the photographer.

The Piper began to take form. Cautious fingers ironed pictures onto big layout sheets; actual-size dummy sheets were ruled; busy minds conceived ideas and expressed them in copy and cutlines. As usual, English classes enthusiastically co-operated and became supplementary copy staffs that really produced.

Every one-finger typist was drafted to type copy after its final reading and revision. Type directions were assigned each bit of copy; thousands of paper clips firmly attached copy, index sheets and dummy pages to the master sheets - and more yearbook pages were ready for the printer.

The editorial foursome went into many a huddle over some complex problems. Conferring once more are Judy von Rosen, editor - in - chief; Abby Sweeney, Sue Booker and Jan Miller. associate editors.

Tom Mc Daniel, sports editor, clicks out another cutline in his staccato two - finger typing style. Inexperienced but conscientious (and a smart fella) Tom quickly picked up the knowhow and turned in a creditable job on Maple sports.



Staff members, copy, cutlines

Vida B. Mc Giffin

Three o'clock and time for a welcome break! And that calls for a stop at the apple machine for busy Piper staff members, Jane Sapala, Abby Sweeny, Nancy Hagen.

Piper section editors can't stop work even long enough for the picture but do oblige the photographer's "Face this way, please." Gayle Pacult, Lynne Easter, index editors; Gail Patrick, Carol Decker, GAA; Keppy Patton, Mary Slater, homeroom; Lynn Sutherland, church; Jan Lynch, club; Norma Webb, Connie Zekit, seniors and honors; Nancy Bridenstine, church. Not in picture: Bob Stephenson, homeroom; Ann Makemson, Sharon Breedlove, club.

Sales, ads finance Piper

That's the Maple spirit! That displayed by the advertising and sales staffs, we mean! The ad staff sold out in just a few days, then proceeded to oversell by eight pages.

Then, too, something new has been added — besides the eight pages, that is. Cutlines identify students in pictures. Both kids and advertisers liked the idea. Also a tie-in spread was used. All in all, the '57 Piper set a new advertising record in total sales, total pages, new ideas.

The sales staff preserved the Piper's lifetime record of overselling the school's enrollment. With 1464 enrolled, 1650 books were ordered. About 85 were sold to doctors, dentists, business men.

Setting up the GM and Ford ads are the ad staff's best workers. Clockwise, beginning with Pat Henny, ad manager, they are Warren Hardy, photographer; Mike Conroy, top salesman; Jack Lackner, Stu Frankford, ad contact man; Julia Smith, Bill Wiggins, Frank Mc Ginnis, Karen Koenig, and Jack Douglass, top salesman.

A day of hard work, but everyone wants in on it. Top staff workers earn the privilege of working themselves into a state of collapse distributing Pipers. Andy Hawley takes over the job of calling names, those on the Pipers, that is!

Cashing in on her "Everyone buys a Piper" slogan, Nancy Maxwell, sales manager, checks in homeroom salesmen Nancy Layman, Herb Snelling, Carl Reynolds and Sandy Heflin.

Press night is a busy time

Every press night the Highlander staff munches on cookies and apples and hurries to put the paper to bed on time, with curious students and teachers looking on from the hall during the first half hour or so. The onlookers see an IBMist frantically setting a front page story, her fingers leaping the keys nimbly, then suddenly dropping in exasperation as she misspells a name for the third time.

At the copy table editors paste up the IBMed copy. Everything drips with rubber cement; occasionally a worker finds some in his hair. At a typewriter a reporter sits trying to concentrate on a cutline amid the noise, a cacophony of clattering typewriters, loud buzzing of darkroom timers, blaring jazz and static of the radio, and the laughing, talking and pencil - tapping of staff members.

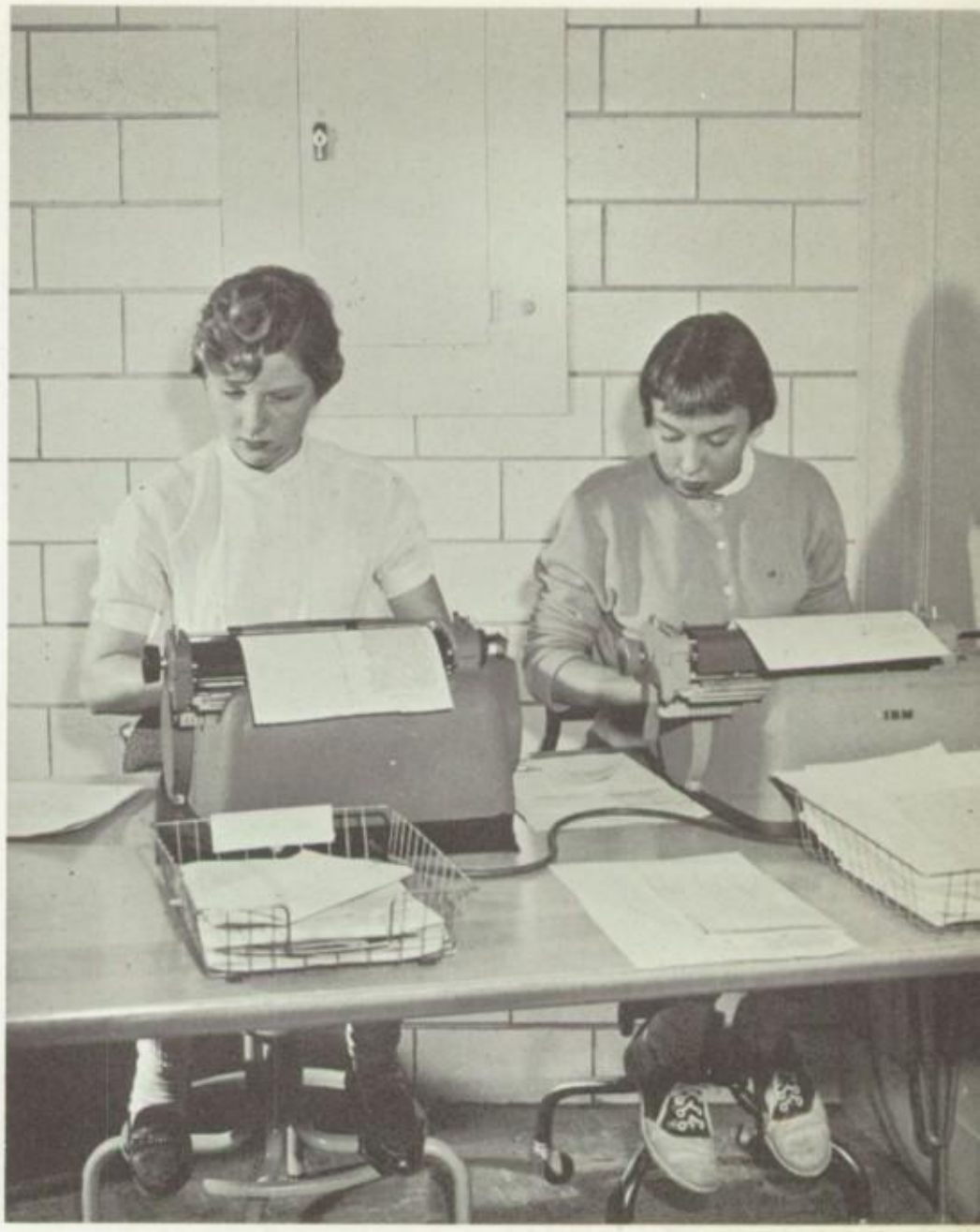
"That story should have been proofread". The editors criticize the most recent issue preparatory for staff meeting so that the staff may profit by its own mistakes. Associate editors Andy Hawley and Linda La Marre assist editor - in - chief Ted Schaefer to do a thorough job.

Hard work, hurry and plenty of fun combine on Highlander press nights. Feature editors Chris Lewis and Vicky Nunneley painstakingly trim and paste up IBMed copy while ad manager Brian Deans and editors Ted Schaefer and Andy Hawley take a breather from their own demanding tasks.

for the Highlander staff

Photographers scurry from the darkroom with new prints. That browned portion had nothing to do with his photographic ability - the print was only left on the electric drier too long and became slightly scorched - and this despite the loud buzz of the timer.

Finally the last lines are drawn, the last ad pasted up, the last filler written and inserted, the last cookie devoured, and the last bottle of coke drained: Another issue of the Highlander is at last ready to go to press. The staff wearily straggle out to the two or three lone cars in the parking lot, their minds already leaping ahead in anxious anticipation of the printed results of their journalistic efforts.



All day every day the staccato of the IBM's is heard in the Highlander's glass house - just later on press nights. Those nimble and tirelss fingers belong to operators Sue Burkhart and Isabel Mac Donald, chief typesetters.

Staff photographers Warren Hardy and Larry Quinn get an authentic Coney Island carnival effect as they examine a print on the ferotype plate in the darkroom.

The staff beats that deadline

Editor-in-chief ..... Ted Schaefer

Associate editors ..... Linda LaMarre, Jeff Ott, Andy Hawley

Feature editors ..... Chris Lewis, Vicky Nunneley

Sports editor ..... Mike Conroy

Business manager ..... Patsy Sullivan

Advertising managers ..... Jean Spencer, Brian Deans

In earnest concentration, Highlander advertising managers Jean Spencer and Brian Deans go over the books to see if collections are complete. Sold out for the year before the first issue, they have no selling worries - just copy and collecting.

Barrels of rubber cement, reams of copy paper, miles of one-use typewriter ribbon, literally hundreds of hours of manpower go into putting out each six - page issue of the Highlander. Weary, goo - covered fingers cut, paste, draw, write and IBM in an all - out effort to beat that inexorable deadline. It's another paper almost done for Brian Deans, ad manager; Warren Hardy, photographer; Linda LaMarre, associate editor; Jean Spencer, ad manager; Mike Conroy, sports editor; Vicky Nunneley, feature editor; Ted Schaefer, editor-in-chief; Jeff Ott, associate editor; Chris Lewis, feature editor.

Heads are set, presses roll

Circulation manager ..... Bill Reilly

Production manager ..... Andy Hawley

IBM operators ..... Sue Burkhart, Isabel Macdonald, Karen Koenig, Martha Baker, Mary Haldane

Photography ..... Warren Hardy, Larry Quinn, Jeff Ott

Art staff ..... Jeff Ott, Ron Thurston

As production manager and associate editor, Andy Hawley has little time to loaf. Sue Booker sneaks into the darkroom to help after the Piper curfew. Though they can whip 'em out fast, an average of 1080 letters must be set on the Headliner for each issue. That's quite a few feet of heads!

Next to the journalism rooms, the busiest place in the building is the printshop. Thousands of pages of printed matter are turned out by Mr. Duris and the printshop boys. Printing the 1750 slipsheets they turn out for each issue of the Highlander are Ronnie Menig, John Ley, Lee Freel and Dick Stinson.

Practical knowledge is aim

Working at the case are Bob Mahrle and Dave Mc Fawn, setting type for music forms for the band. The cases must be thoroughly mastered and the many fonts of type studied before the boys get their first assignment from Mr. Duris. All type for small jobs is handset.

Here we are in the shop department where the Maple spirit also prevails. First is the print shop. Here the boys learn to set type, make plates, and operate the three letterpresses and the new offset press. All kinds of programs, school forms, ads and other jobs are printed here. Advanced students are compositors, foremen and press operators. A crew runs off the Highlander slipsheets. Many class hours are spent in learning type faces. The boys set and proof all of the ads for the Highlander.

Most of the boys on the offset press are advanced printers. They take great pride in their work. This year's all-time record breaking job was The Observer, 8-page American Education Week paper with a press run of 12,000 copies. Plates were made from laidup negatives; printing, folding, assembling, stapling, counting and distribution — with help of journalism students — required 441 man hours of skilled labor. The paper was circulated to every pupil and teacher in the entire Birmingham school system.

# of all boys in shop courses

Boys in the shop are busy making all sorts of things from magazine racks to birdhouses. Here the spirit is one of hustling, bustling activity. Everyone is doing a job he likes; and when he gets done, he will have something to show for his work, something to be proud of besides simply a mark.

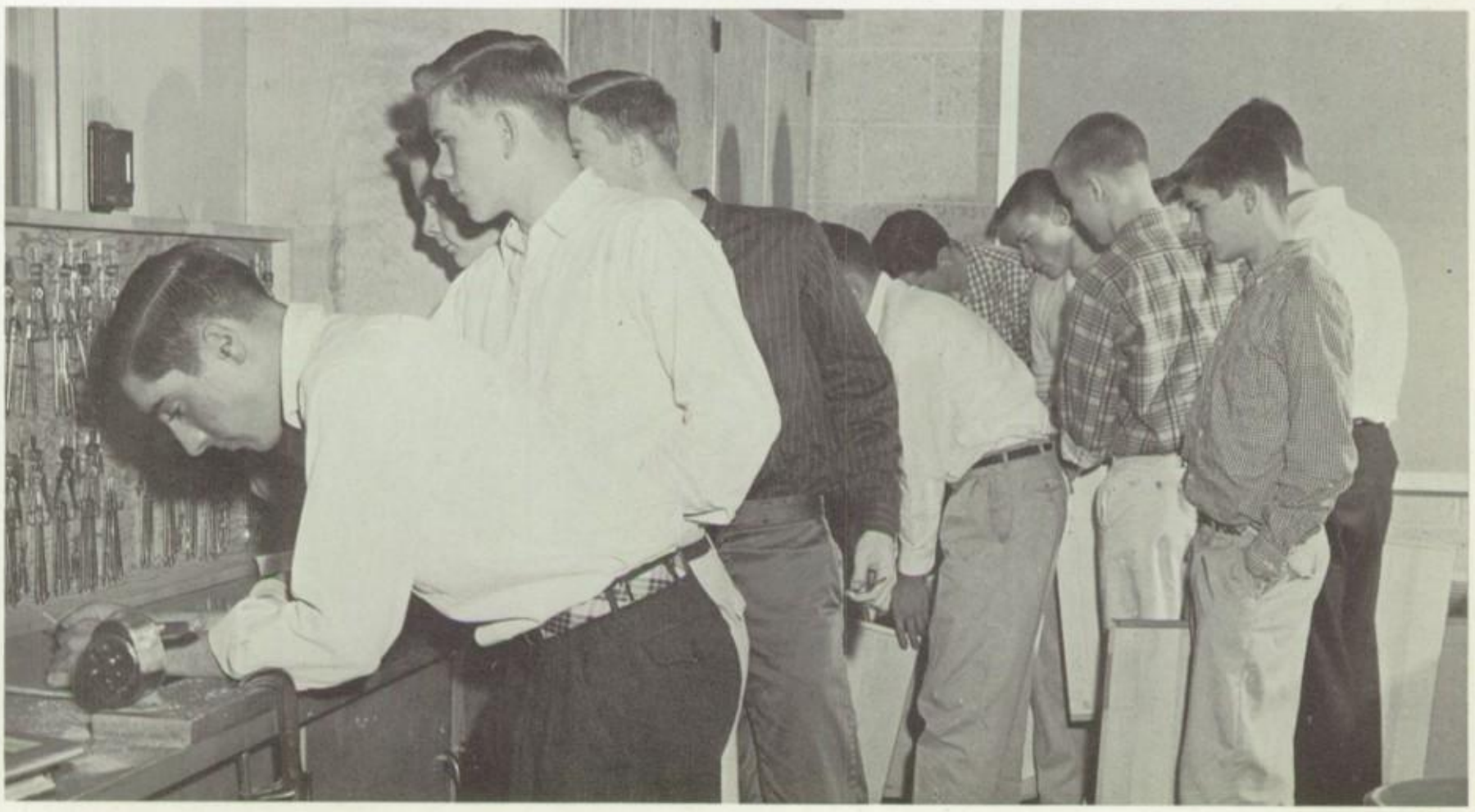
Sophomores get a taste of everything in general shop, from auto mechanics to méchanical drawing, many finding an interest in printing. In mechanical drawing the boys learn use of instruments, preliminaries of producing floor plans and simple machine parts. Later in this popular course the boys draw the most complex building plans and entire intricate machines.

In mechanical drawing someone always has a problem, and there is always someone willing and able to help. Henry Boeger and Bob Martin co-operate to solve a problem they encountered.

Three minutes before the buzzer comes the signal to put away work. Doing just that are Fred Pulve, Lynn Birchard, Ken Maurer, Tom Hewitt, Bob Martin, Paul Zimmerman, Marc Oberschulte.

W. G. Sloat

Joseph Duris



There are real opportunities

In the industrial arts department, boys can take as many as six semesters of work. The woodworking and machine shops are very well equipped; many of the teachers with the knowhow work there on their own time, making many beautiful and useful builtins and pieces of furniture.

Juniors and others taking advanced shop in woodworking learn how to handle wood expertly and how to plan and make more intricate projects such as bookcases, tables, lamps and chairs. Some beautiful pieces are produced. The boys also learn how to work from plans, either their own or those of others. Sanding, rubbing, waxing, staining, finishing - all operations are expertly performed in advanced shop. Many of the objects produced make excellent gifts that the boys can give with real pride, a pride that is a true expression of the Maple spirit.

With iron masks to protect their eyes and faces from sparks and the bright light, Tom Schafer and Dan Dandrea solder a machine part. The machine shop has the most up-to-date equipment obtainable and provides excellent training for future mechanics.

Leo Gardner

Learning types of wood and basic fundamentals of cabinet - making, boys immediately make practical application of their knowledge. Bill Mc Kinley and Mike Murphy finish a sanding job while Jim Noonan takes precision measurements on his bookcase.

to explore trades, vocations

The auto shop has everything to do with, from hydraulic hoist to a 25,000 dollar chrome Mercury chassis, gift of the Ford Motor Company a few years ago.

In the course in auto mechanics the boys learn how the internal combustion engine works and how this force is applied to move the car or other machine. Principles are no sooner learned than they are applied in practical situations. Daily the boys make repairs on their own or others' cars, many a jalopy being restored to running order and given a new lease on life.

Mr. Mott teaches any theory required, using the lecture method or his own manuscript material, there being no textbooks for the course. There is also a course in shop mathematics to go along with all industrial arts courses.

A few teachers work on their own cars in the auto shop, doing their own lubricating jobs and some repairing.

Giving the dis-assembled parts a thorough going-over and general cleaning is a big job but one that the skilled mechanic insists upon doing well. Working on valves and cleaning the valve chamber are John Wrobel, Pete Finfgeld, Bob Squiers and Dick Whittemore.

Maynard Mott

Dis-assembling the entire engine for a change of block is a lot of work that must necessarily be done occasionally. Wielding the hammer is Bob Squiers while John Wrobel and Pete Finfgeld lend a helping hand and a word of advice.

Careers in business have

Marilyn Menewisch, Barbara Smith and Sue Hindle show Mr. Bostwick their shorthand notes on dictation he has just given them. Taking notes accurately and rapidly is a skill that takes much practice to acquire.

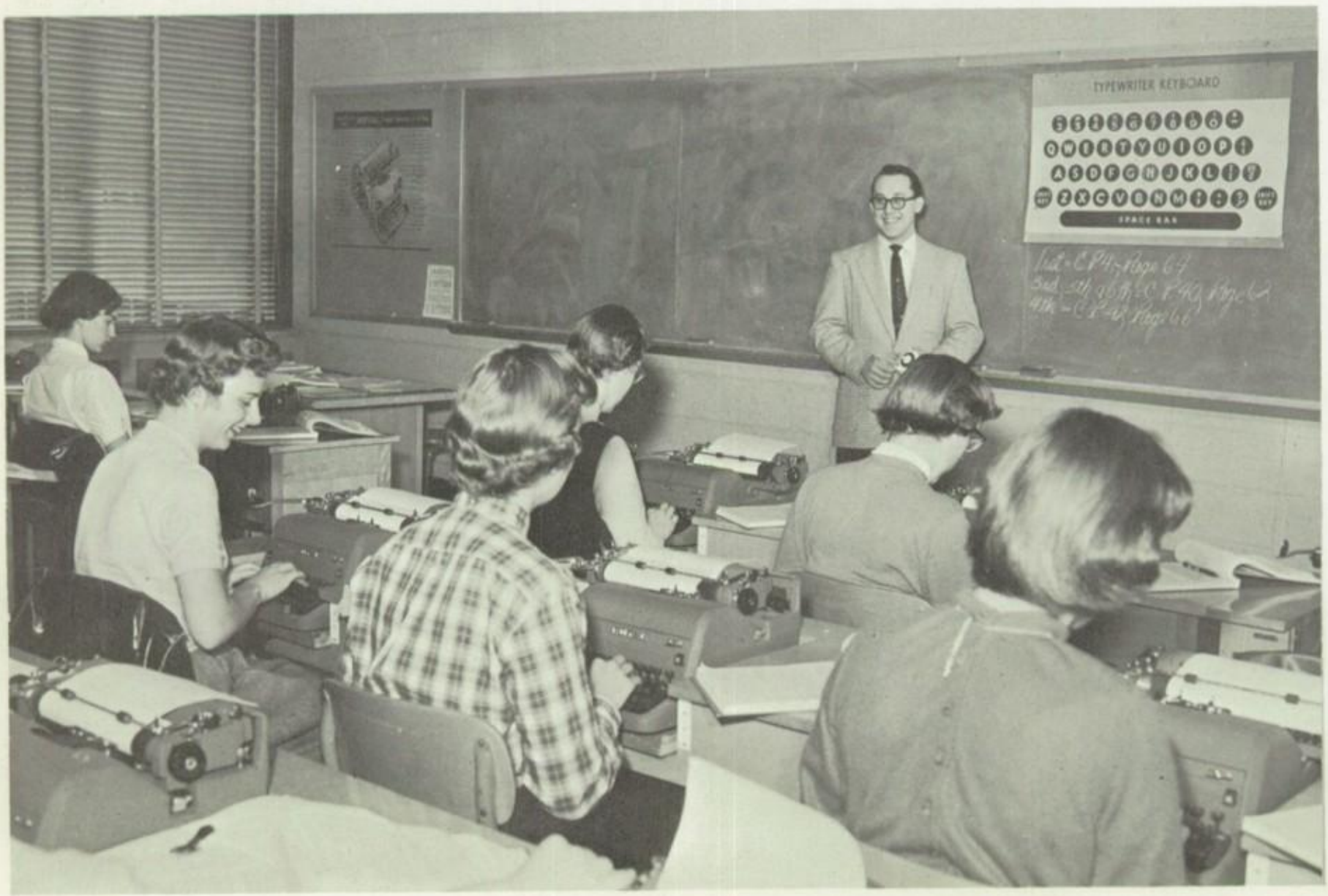
Although our enrollment is nearly 400 less than that of last year, yet the commercial department has grown and has added a fourth teacher. Both the student who is quitting to go to work after graduation and the one who is going on to college realize the practical value of the commercial courses.

The bookkeeping course is a thorough one intended to be either introductory for the student planning on business college or complete enough for that first job. The system taught is double entry, each successive marking period requiring more advanced, detailed work and higher standards.

Shorthand is recognized as an essential but very hard course. It is equivalent to learning to write in another language, students say. The girls take dictation and then transcribe their own notes. A course in shorthand can be very valuable to the college preparatory students, too, for taking notes in those top-speed lecture courses.

No more of the Biblical method of seek and ye shall find for these proficient typists taking a five-minute time test from Mr. Steinhart.

Convinced that typing is an essential skill in the work-world of today and that practice makes perfect in both accuracy and speed are Connie Zekit, Karen Stinson, Kay Graber, Mary Emery, Jewel Ofenstein, Jean Benchard.



strong appeal for many teenagers

Typing courses may be taken for a single semester or several. Here again both the commercial student and the college prep can benefit. Typing of papers may be required by many instructors; and proficiency in typing is taken for granted in the one-girl office.

Office machines is a practical addition to the curriculum for the commercial major. The classroom is equipped with many machines, from the simple and easily learned to those which take much time to learn and practice to master.

Commercial law rounds out the rich offering of this department. It is a course so practical that every student could well afford to take it.

In a good commercial course the student will, in the several semesters, learn not ony the skills of typing and shorthand. He will also study contracts, both verbal and written; income tax, notes, interest, mortgages, partnerships, payrolls, how to figure depreciation of fixtures and furniture, office manners and dress ethics, how to apply for a job, use of references, and many, many other useful things.

Lee Bostwick

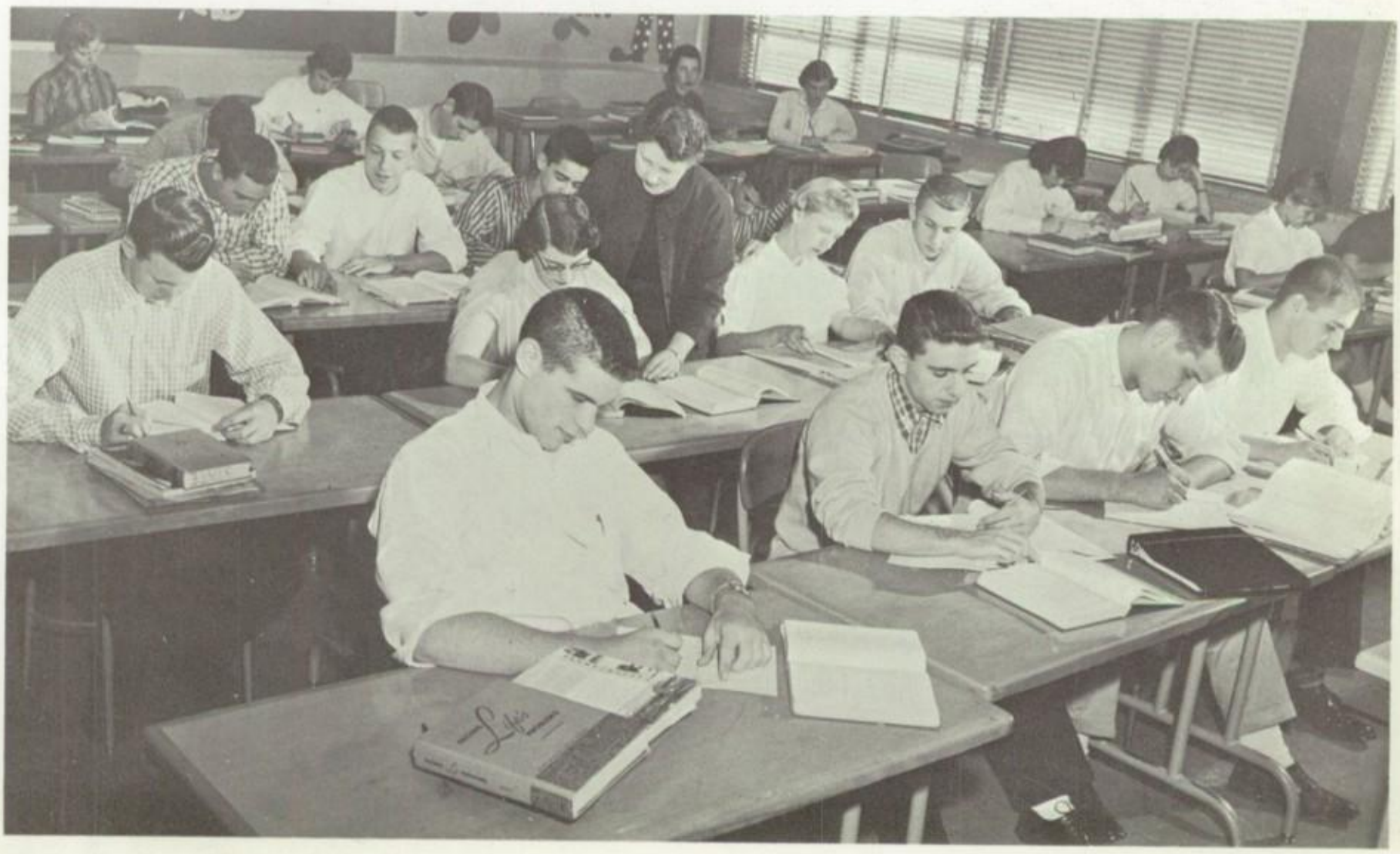
Mildred Loew

Earl Steinhart

Gladys Holloway

It is near the end of the second marking period, and bookkeeping is full of problems. Not everyone works at the same speed nor arrives at the same place at the same time. Miss Holloway helps everyone who needs a boost.

ROW 1—John Foester, Ed Kramb, Howard Flint, Warren Sumner; ROW 2—Bill Davis, Peggy Joyner, Miss Holloway, Deanna Lukianoff, Jeff Life, Karen Clark, Ann Fortune; ROW 3—Bob Booz, Ronnie Russek, Leo Vigi, Tim Wheeler, Mary McKee, Elizabeth Schaule; ROW 4—Jim Reid, Dick Tieman; ROW 5—Marianne Hornacek, Darlene Johnson, Judy Seager, Carol Clements.



A good retailing student

The retailing program offers a student interested in a career in the business world the opportunity to work with the instructor and an employer to study and gain valuable on-the-job experience to make his transition from school to business a successful one. Retailing students take a required hour of English, one of social studies, and two hours of retailing during their morning half day at school.

The BHS retailing student learns that the basic approaches to a business relationship are good grooming and a neatly written, correctly spelled application. The laboratory where use is made of theory taught in the classroom is the life situation as an employee in the afternoon.

To be of greatest worth to his employer the student salesman must have thorough knowledge of the products he is expected to sell in order to present it intelligently to the would-be purchaser.

Don Hellstrom plans a future in merchandising. His job in Kay Baum's receiving and marking gives him valuable training in the basics of his chosen field.

Birmingham shops provide all materials needed by the retailing program for teaching the five steps in creating a store's "silent salesman". Carol Ryan, Don Tate and Sibyl Hampton are learning to arrange an eye-catching window display. (The window is a full size one in the retailing classroom.)

knows his product well

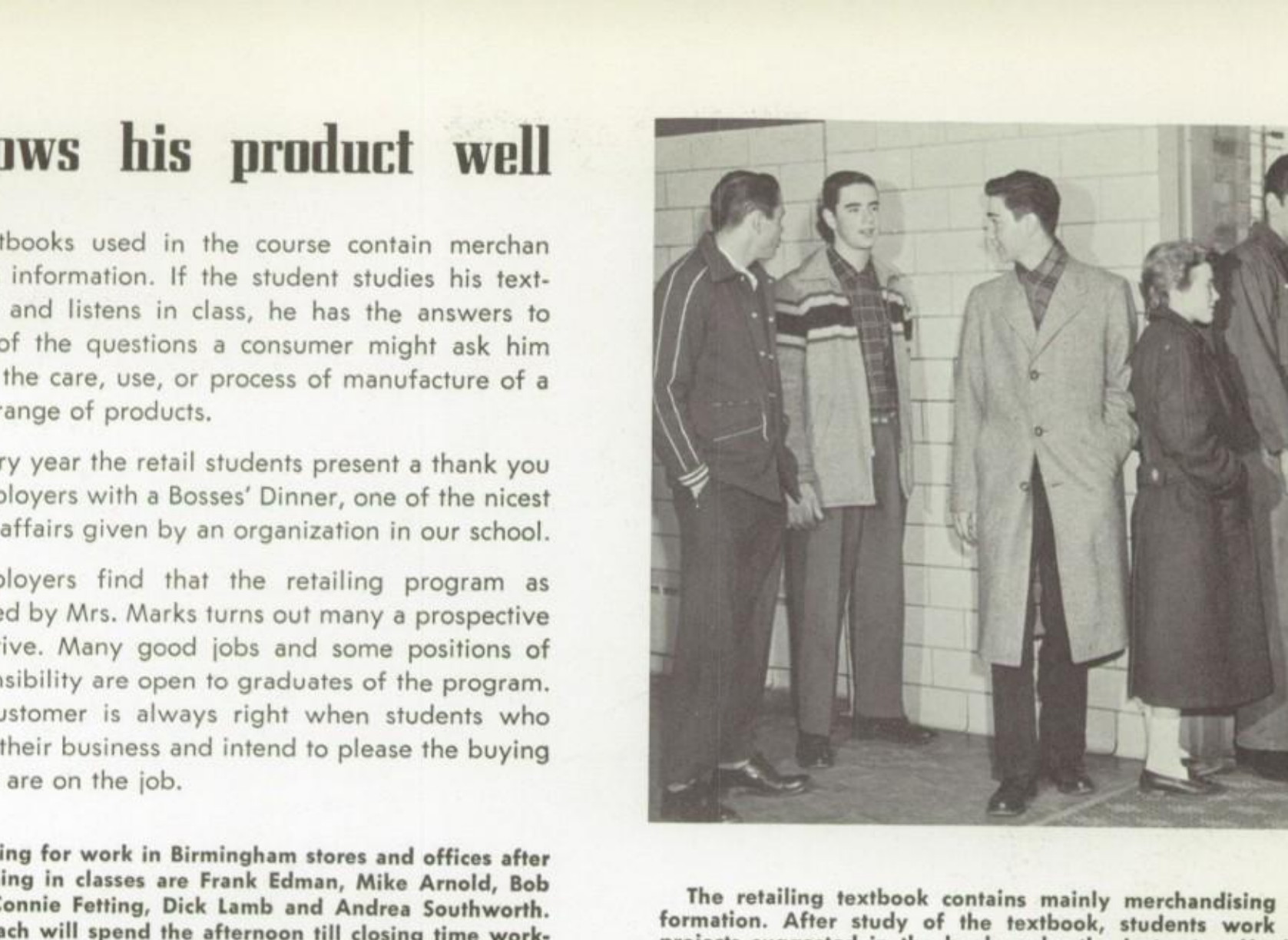
Textbooks used in the course contain merchandising information. If the student studies his textbooks and listens in class, he has the answers to most of the questions a consumer might ask him about the care, use, or process of manufacture of a wide range of products.

Every year the retail students present a thank you to employers with a Bosses' Dinner, one of the nicest social affairs given by an organization in our school.

Employers find that the retailing program as handled by Mrs. Marks turns out many a prospective executive. Many good jobs and some positions of responsibility are open to graduates of the program. The customer is always right when students who know their business and intend to please the buying public are on the job.

The retailing textbook contains mainly merchandising information. After study of the textbook, students work on projects suggested in the book or by the instructor. Hoping to be able to talk intelligently to prospective customers about weaves of fabrics are Andrea Southworth, Kap Johnson, Dick Renchard, Fred Moore and Carol Sheets.

Leaving for work in Birmingham stores and offices after a morning in classes are Frank Edman, Mike Arnold, Bob Cate, Connie Fetting, Dick Lamb and Andrea Southworth. Now each will spend the afternoon till closing time working as a sales person, clerk, stock boy or girl, or other member of a business establishment's personnel. All get practical on-the-job experience.



Joan Marks

Listen, voices are filling the

The Eighth Notes are a group of juniors who get together after school to gain valuable experience, bring enjoyment to others, practice their songs to the point of perfection, and just sing for the pleasure of singing. Members of the group are Peggy Sheldon, Nancy Layman, Sally Satterthwaite (seated), Betty Nichols, Sandy Trathen, and Dawne Karnes.

Singing is, of course, the primary and best-loved business of the choir; but Mr. Ulrich, director, also manages to include in the course some music theory, a bit of philosophy, jam sessions, and most important of all, performances at the variety show, the Christmas assembly and a full schedule of outside Christmas programs, the district music festival, and the spring concert - to mention just a few. Under Mr. Ulrich's skilled direction, a rich variety of sacred, spiritual, modern, and popular songs delight many a listening

ROW 1 - Lucy McBrian, Karen Weaver, Penny King, Judy Sundstrom, Richard Oakwood, Ron Buegel, Ben Bambard, Dennis Byers, Bill Yogus, Christine Offer, Barb Bond, Michal Greer, Janice Green, Lenora Aldred; ROW 2 - Sue Rogers, Kathy Lafer, Barb Shank, Janet Kegel, Carl Andeer, Gary Johnson, Jim McGuire, Jerry Novak, Gary Simancek, Judy Marucco, Sally Satterthwaite, Carol Peck, Onilee Grimsby, Rachel Rice; ROW 3 - Betty Counts, Toni Burch, Sue Tabor, Mary Goss, Ann Robinson, Gordon Strong, Philip Strong, Larry Wittrup, Jim Whaling, Linda Bliss, Emily Tucker, Wendy Ross, Ruthann Helmrich, Sally Bates, Marilyn Garwood; ROW 4 - Joan Pierce, Nancy Savage, Sandy Bennett, Pat MacLennan, Harvey Sellner, Tim Usher, Dick Brown, Don Booth, Nancy Layman, Diane Gofrank, Birdie Hailey, Barb Falconer, Sharon Bell, Sue Bollinger.

air with music, music, music

audience.

Because of the popularity of this organization, Mr. Ulrich was forced to split the choir into first, third, and fifth hour groups. Next year when the many sophomores and juniors in the '57 choir help produce a group that hordes of entering sophomores will clamor to gain admission to, the organization of the group will become even more of a problem - but a pleasant one.

Helping everyone stay in the right key and providing a background for songs at concerts are this year's three choir accompanists Diane Longeway, Evie Crouch, and Geraldine Barber.

ROW 1 - Joan Marsh, Dawne Karnes, Donna Cavell, Mary-ann Varblow, Anne Parish, Sandy Trathen, Anne Graham, Gail Paige, Judie Button, Peggy Sheldon, Carol Marcks, Ann Garrison, Sue Brundage; ROW 2 - Doreen Conley, Les Stevens, Norma Webb, Jean McGregor, Beth Collins, Nancy Kemp, Sue Bearss, Gail Christie, Judy Austin, Karen Barnes, Judy Seager, Judy Scotti, Judy Isaacson; ROW 3 - Joan Counsell, Jean Burnham, Barbara Williams, Don Nichols, F. J. McGinnis, Chris Matthesius, Phil Russell, Mike McCarthy, Mary Fellows, Judy Boyer, Barbara Miller, Calla Reasoner; ROW 4 - Ilene Dorey, Judy Stock, Diana Doering, Rose Ottman, Ginny Naylon, Bob Sperling, Bill Loye, Tom Leupen, Bob Croly, Mary Ellen Groves, Diane Longeway, Jill Royle, Gail Teschke.

Sh! Listen, more voices

The Maple Sugarettes are sophomores this year and still climbing, but at the same time producing more and more music just as they started to do last year. The girls are Sharon Jones, Ann Robinson, Gale McIntosh, Anne Lawrence, Linda Janke, Judy Marucco, Jean Caldwell, Sandy Walker, and Beth Burroughs. They meet after school for their weekly sing.

The Madrigal singers are a group of choir people who get together after school once a week to sing difficult Seventeenth Century songs in parts without musical accompaniment just for the fun of it and also to practice for a full schedule of programs.

ROW 1 - Janet Morris, Pat Hopkins, Janet Shaffer, Sandy Bennett, Pat MacLennan; ROW 2 - Gordon Strong, Dick Pratt, Philip Strong, Don Odle.

The girls' choir added its voices to those of the choir on such occasions as the variety show, Christmas programs, district music festival, and the spring concert, to mention just a few.

ROW 1 - Gayle Norris, Mary Ellen Janis, Karen Maddren, Sharon Pavelka, Kaye Stigleman, Pat Ackerman, Beverly Allum, Karen Clark, Carol Hanifan; ROW 2 - Pat Hopkins, Sharon Reinbold, Ruby Parker, Deborah Hutchings, Diane Erwin, Ann Brda, Yvonne Dexter, Judy Rader, Kay Graber; ROW 3 - Elaine McNab, Mary Cork, Sally Hunt, Brenda Gross, Rosiland Latham, Mary Emery, Mary Hawley, Virginia Irwin; ROW 4 - Marilyn Bratton, Helen Cudini, Linda Harrison, Diane Donovan, Ada Wells, Tamara Boch.

Practice makes perfect

The instruments of the band are divided into three sectionals: cornets, large brass, and woodwinds. Clarinets, flutes and oboes make up the woodwind sectional.

ROW 1 - Gary Wilbur, Diane Barber, Dot Green, Sue Purvis, Susie Rippingille; ROW 2 - Phil Brown, Drew Novak, Ann McLellan, Ann Rice, Marcia Kempf; ROW 3 - Pamela Parkins, Martin Knorr, Bill Meyer, Bill Muenchinger, Tamara Badenoch.

The sectionals give Mr. Berndt, director, a chance to work out technical problems with each musician and straighten out errors in the musical score.

The cornets are played by ROW 1 - Steve Thorson, Henry Baltzersen, Patrick Devine, Dick Hubbard; ROW 2 - Dick Ayers, Pete Washburne, Chris Uppleger, Spencer Perry, George Didier.

Many former band members who served under Mr. Berndt's leadership are now playing in university bands in many parts of the country. Trombones, tubas, French horns, and baritones make up the large brass sectional.

ROW 1 - Fraser Cocks, Jack Werner, Bill Masters, Ed Nickel, Tom Martin; ROW 2 - Dick Lee, Sue Little, Linda Greenwalt, Joyce Rose, Bill Krause; ROW 3 - Bill Bushnell, John Baldwin, Don Ritter, Martin Weinrich, John Falberg.

Maples cheer their marching

The BHS band, the only marching band in the city, plays an important part in making the school year an enjoyable one for everyone. The members of the musical organization maintain a busy schedule, performing at many of the home football games, playing at community affairs such as the citywide Halloween celebration and the Memorial Day parade, and presenting the annual spring concert - to mention just a few.

During the winter months the band practices diligently to prepare for the district music festival in which it takes a top rating every year. To produce the quality product that our band does takes more

The band, choir, and English classes moved into the new wing of the building a year late. The delay was caused by eight caveins and a steel strike; but when the transition from old to new was finally made, it gave everyone a great deal more room. The band and everyone else, including the Piper photographer, put the new band room to good use.

ROW 1 - Pamela Parkins, Bill Meyer, Tamara Badenoch, Diane Barber; ROW 2 - Phil Brown, Ann McLellan, Marcia Kempf, Bill Muenchinger, Ed Nickel, Sue Little, Martin Weinrich; ROW 3 - Gary Wilbur, Drew Novak, Jan Coyle, Pete Washburne, Spencer Perry, George Didier, Dick Ayers, Henry Baltzersen; ROW 4 - Beverly Selters, Dick Hubbard, Steve Loud, Don Ritter.

band of talented musicians . . .

than ability and talent, but also a combination of artistic imagination, creative inspiration, and just plain hard work and more work; but it all pays off in the end.

When commencement time rolls around again and the seniors end their high school days, the band will be there to keep them in step with the dignified strains of Pomp and Circumstance and to bid them farewell with the mellow notes of taps echoing from the distance and a rousing Reveille near at hand.

The band spends many tiresome hours practicing the formations to be used for the coming week's halftime show. At the last Turkey Day game to be played between Royal Oak and Birmingham, the BHS band presented a droodle show including the formation of a snake going upstairs or downstairs, depending on which side of the field faced the snake.

ROW 1 - Martin Knorr, Dot Green, Susie Rippingille, Sue Purvis; ROW 2 - Earl Roberts, Jack Werner, Joyce Rose, Dick Lee, Liz Reed, Ann Rice; ROW 3 - Patrick Devine, Gary Johnson, Fraser Cocks, Bill Krause, Bill Bushnell, John Falberg, Bob Esterline, Tom Martin, Bill Masters; ROW 4 - Carlo Orlando.

They are responsible for educating thousands of students

Aiding Dr. Ireland in the administration of the schools and their program is this able trio. Although each is best at his particular specialty, all three are deeply interested in the kind of teamwork that will get the whole job done.

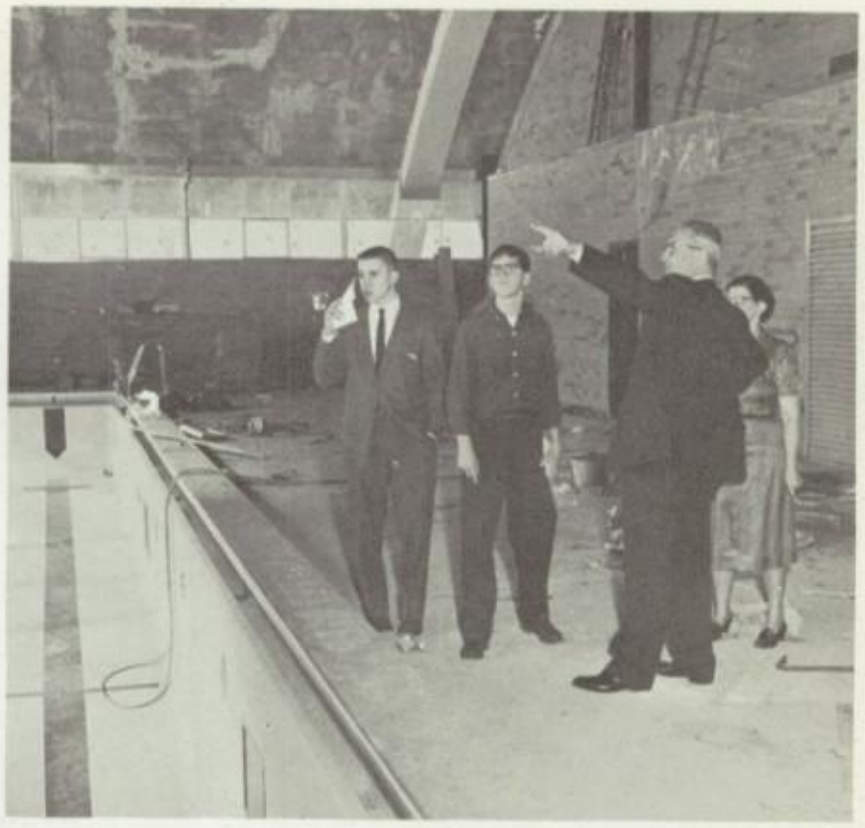
Dr. Featherstone, like the other two, is an assistant superintendent of schools. His division of work is building construction, an assignment that keeps him busy, what with Birmingham's tremendous growth.

Mr. Wolfe has the job of supervising maintenance. With the city's elementary schools, two junior high schools, and the sprawling high school - to say nothing of Hill building, kindergarten cottages, and other structures, Mr. Wolfe has a full day every day. He is also in charge of all cafeterias.

Dr. Carter served as an elementary principal. He is a specialist in curriculum, keeping the program progressive and unified.

Birmingham's "seven - man" Board of Education is interested, conscientious and enlightened. There is little absenteeism on this board. There is constant study to keep abreast of the rising tide of enrolment, to keep salaries at a level that will keep teachers here and happy. No students have had to go to school in shifts; no courses have been dropped, and no extra - curricular activities curtailed; no educational opportunities have been considered "frills". All members of the board are parents themselves. Every one has one or more children who are graduates of Birmingham High School. Therefore it could be said that their interest is personal as well as professional.

Present at a reguar meeting in the Board Room at Hill School, with a background of charts, graphs, and book - length committee reports are Mr. Gregory, Mr. Groves, Mrs. Parnie, Mr. Seaholm, Mrs. Loomis, Mr. Sauerbrun and Mr. Spence.



Dr. Ireland shows Ted Schaefer, Andy Hawley and Miss McGiffin how the roof of the Derby swimming pool is suspended or supported by the hugh concrete and steel buttresses outside the building.

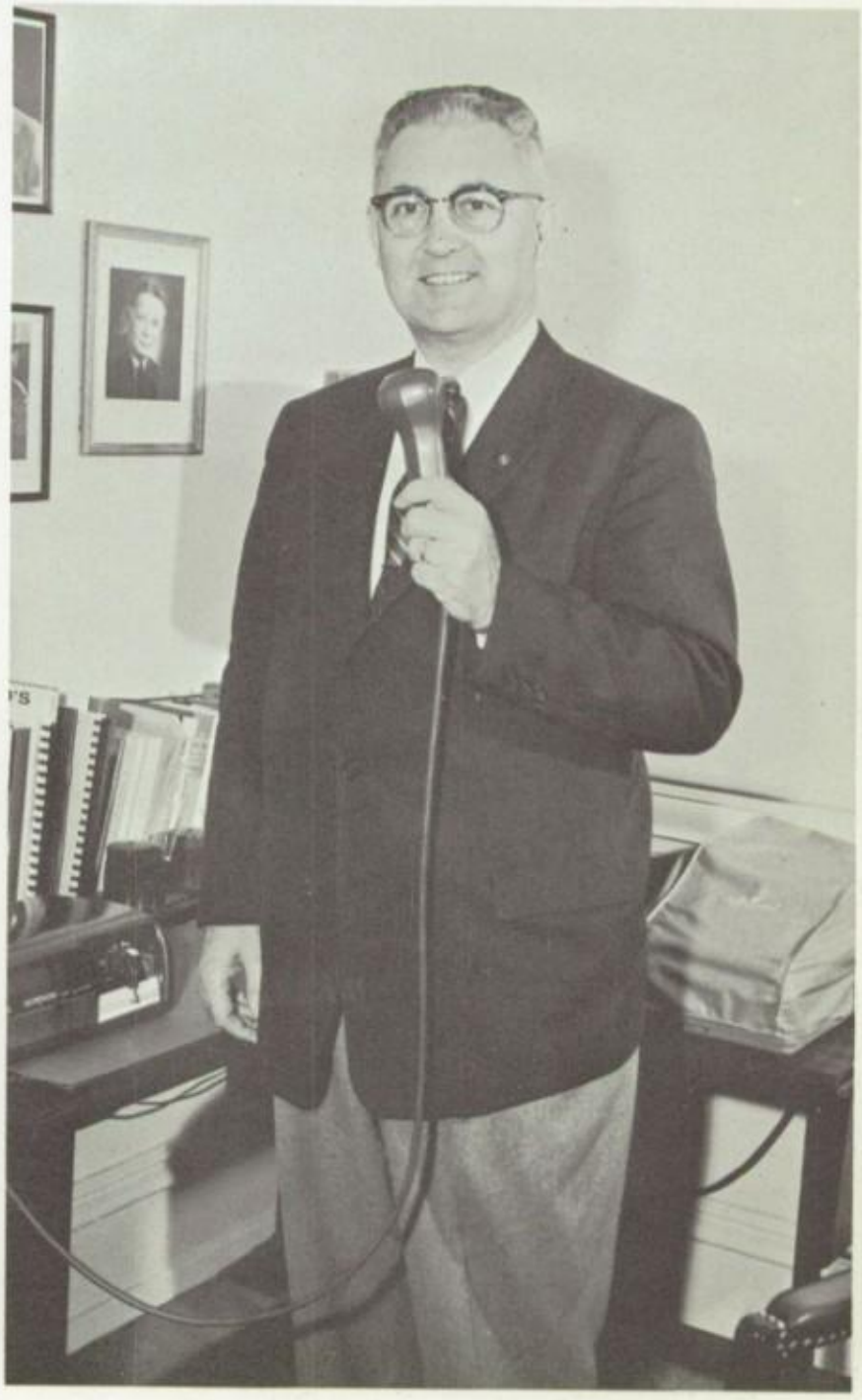
They solve endless problems

Although Birmingham High School has been occupied by from 730 to 1805 students ever since 1952, it is still a - building. The new 'year 'round swimming pool just finished doesn't entirely complete the building. Still left is completion of the athletic plant. Football practice field, baseball diamonds, and - biggest project of all - an official quarter mile track with infield vaulting and jumping pits, shotput ring - in short, "the works". Mr. Whitney has the responsibility of planning the layout. His blueprints are carefully explained to Mrs. Niedenfuhr, his secretary.

Heading Birmingham's huge and excellent educational plant is Dr. Ireland, able career educator. Although he has nearly 400 teachers, many principals and numerous non - teaching employees under his supervision, he manages to know them all personally to a surprising extent. Insofar as possible in his crowded schedule, he makes himself available to teachers and even students who need his advice or who wish to interview him.

He makes all kinds of materials available to citizens' committees studying the school system and its long - range needs. This is wise use of Birmingham's resources, an educated, interested and constructive citizenry.

Dr. Ireland manages in other ways to keep the human touch. He is never too busy to meet with his teachers, his principals; he honors his school's athletic teams, plays, concerts, and other activities. He provides equipment for a rich program of studies, and his financial leadership has enabled the schools to meet the challenge of tremendous growth.

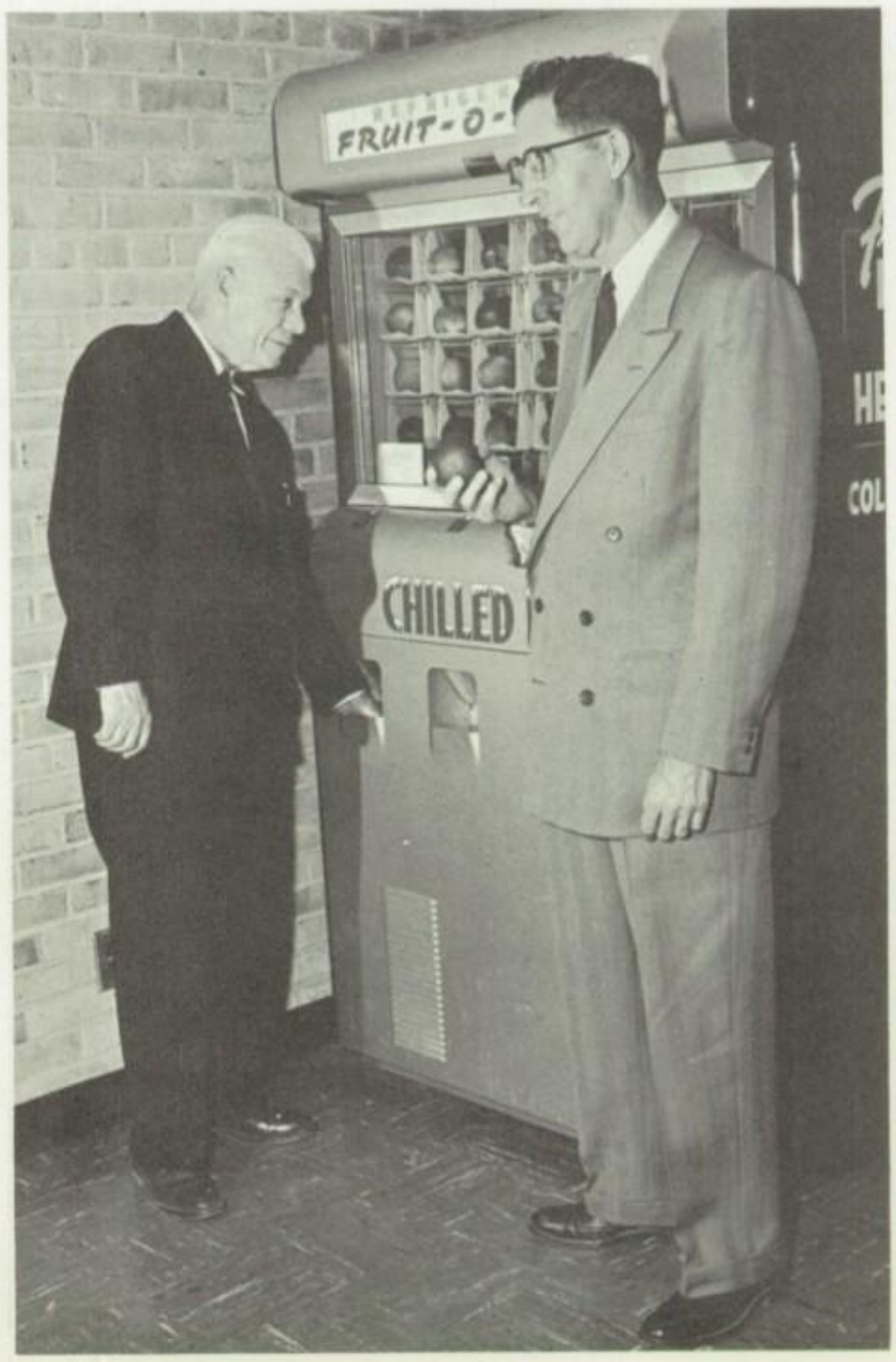


They handle our problems

Though Mr. Wagner's office is as far from the milling crowd as it can be, yet it's as busy as Maple and Woodward on a Saturday morning. The efficient office force screens callers to protect him from unnecessary interruptions, but he's still a busy man. He tries to know personally as many of the students as he can. He attends games, plays, concerts, dances; goes along on the Washington trip as adviser of a group; kids student leaders and jokes with teachers.

Mr. Goodrich as assistant principal and Mrs. Darling as dean of students take over duties that release Mr. Wagner for greater supervision of instruction. Mr. Goodrich's biggest job is attendance and the master schedule, while Mrs. Darling assists with attendance, is adviser of Student Congress and directs both social and interest clubs.

A continuous flow of letters, notes, bulletins, newspapers and packages circulates through 120 teachers' boxes daily. Carol Drouillard and Jean Schmuck, office helpers, distribute contents to boxes.



Two busy, cheerful men take time out to relax and have an apple before resuming their busy schedules. Mr. Goodrich has served BHS 18 years while Mr. Wagner is rounding out his fourteenth.

Work is their key word

A day in the office is a hectic one, but the smiling office force takes everything in stride. Keeping track of attendance for nearly 1500 students, typing and duplicating college transcripts and applications, answering a hundred telephone calls, distributing piles of mail, registering new students, giving miscellaneous information - is there anything the office staff doesn't do?

But the staff is a versatile one. It can boast of many jobs, including sale of gym suits, athletic insurance, and shop cards, which can be purchased on easy pay-as-you-go terms. Locks and lockers, fees, activity tickets, class and homeroom dues, money from that big paper drive and candy sale, funds for that charity drive - all money goes through the office; and a daily visit to the bank to deposit funds is necessary.

Even a lost and found department is operated by the office, to say nothing of hundreds of clerical jobs, such as absence slips, call slips, messages, filing, records, typing bulletins, mimeographing - it's easier to say what the staff doesn't do!

Mrs. Hayner is school accountant, collects and banks money, keeps the books; Mrs. Lawrence is Mr. Goodrich's secretary with the big attendance load; Miss Bay is receptionist, typist, general utility worker; Mrs. Coviak heads the office staff and is Mr. Wagner's secretary.

Busy Mrs. Darling finds evening meetings a necessity if she wants to crowd Congress committee work into her work - filled day. Just before Field Day and the Eastern Michigan Conference many a group met at her home. She outlines an idea for Judy Gray, Larry Quinn, Jeff Ott, Vicky Nunneley and Ted Schaefer.

They take pride in a building beautiful

The day will start early, perhaps with driving a bus or unlocking the building's 65 doors. With accelerating tempo, it may include a little of everything from putting in a new ten - foot light bulb to washing several acres of windows, to say nothing of being all set for major or minor emergencies. Over the lunch hour, they assist in the cafeteria, handling mountains of dishes, barrels of waste paper, and making themselves generally useful. They are George Taylor, Maxine Speer, Cliff Libby, Casto Cantoro, Joseph Roy, Homer Westerby, chief-of-staff; Henry Agles.

His trademarks - a friendly smile and an ultra - fragrant cigar. He likes high school kids, and they like him. Pop Knorp heads the night staff and sees that the building is shipshape all the time.

Pop's night crew is a big one for a big building. Halls are polished to a high lustre, and classrooms are spotless - evidence of the hard and constant work of the night shift. When the Maples stream out at 3:00, the swing shift swings into action. Frequent staff meetings add to its efficiency and high morale.

ROW 1—Mr. Knorp, Bill Sherrard, engineer; Eugene George, Rudolph Anderson, Roderick MacDonald; ROW 2—Willard Dierloff, Robert White, George Dioyonis, Neil Keoppen, Don Stone; ROW 3—Frank Kayga, Earl Wood.

In Maple cafeteria women in white serve with a smile

Everyone who sits in fourth hour class watches the clock for time when his lunch shift eats. The bell rings, and the class instantly springs to life and takes the shortest route to the cafeteria where women in white are ready to serve steaming food. Every 15 minutes they satisfy the hunger of more than 200 ravenous kids and teachers, feeding over 1200 daily. And they must like kids: Service with a smile is their motto.

Masterminding this gigantic enterprise is Mrs. Gertrude Killing. Her team and equipment are the best. Besides the daily onslaught, they serve huge sports dinners to over 300 guests.

About noon every day the Maple Spirit is bound to need reviving. The fresh white uniforms topped by smiling faces are here to do it!

Thousands of servings of salad, soup, sandwiches and cake are prepared daily by the cooks. Elma Aho, Lena Lesley, Ethel Reynolds, Hilda Koskela, Ruth Lotero, Helen Constantino, Dorothy Lisewiski, Winnie Goit, Florence Ermatinger and Gertrude Killing take time out for a bite of lunch for themselves.

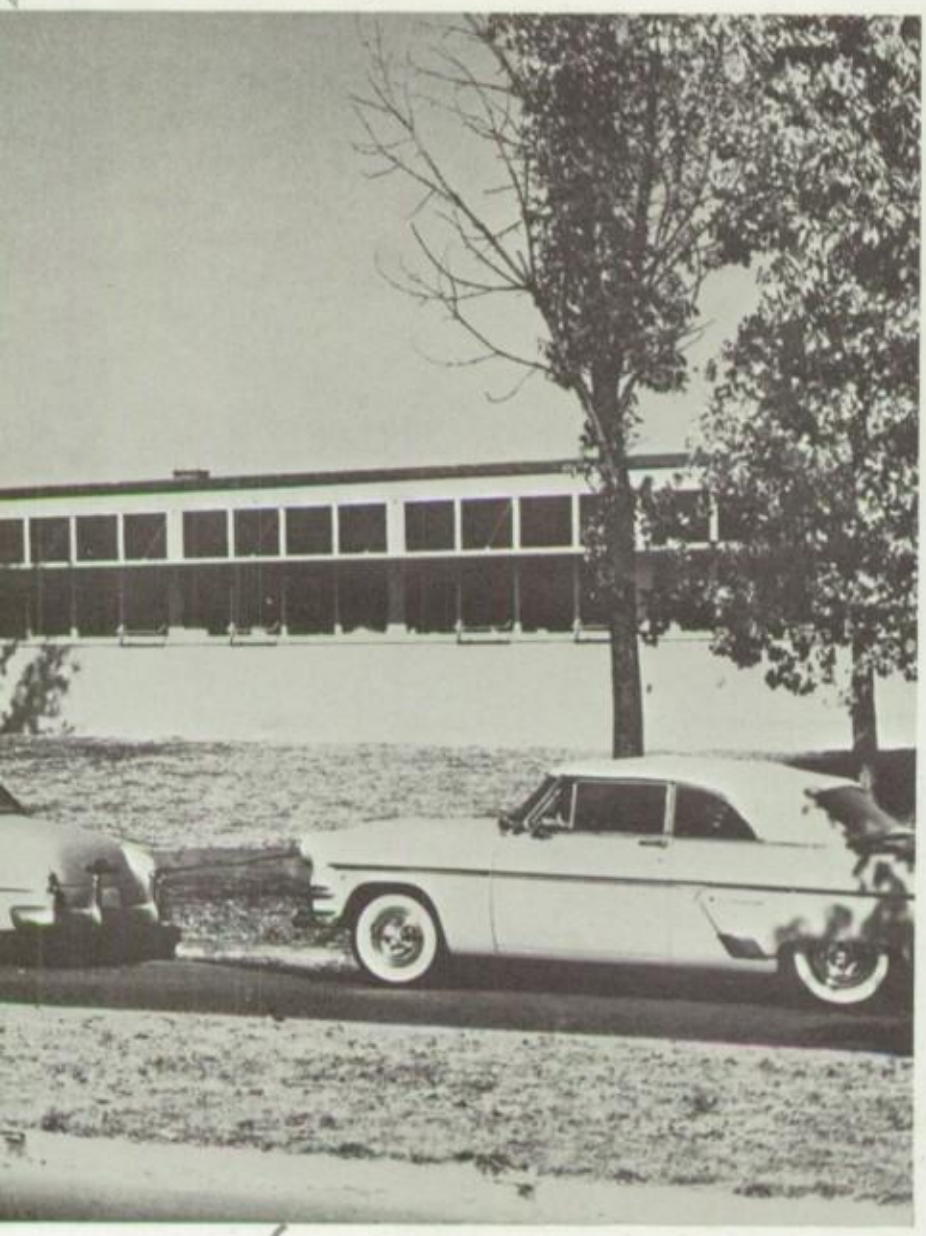
That's the Maple Spirit !

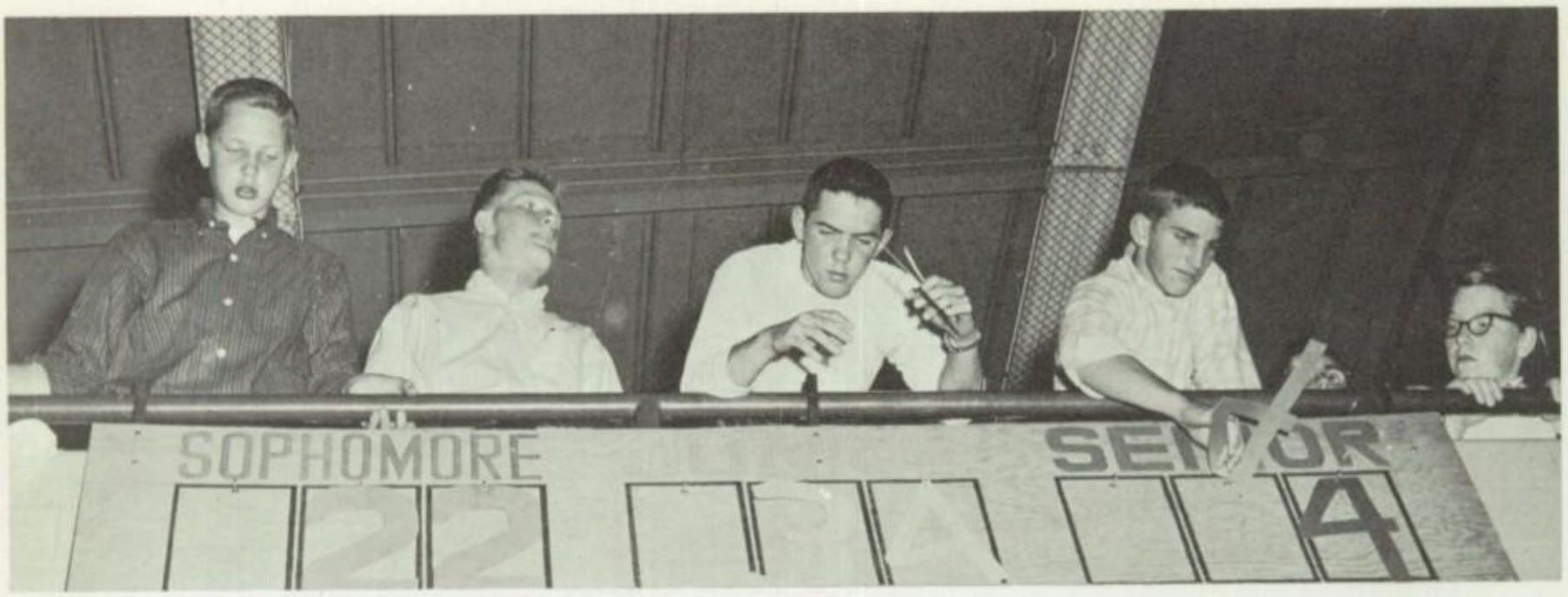
In Living

There are friendliness, fun and fellowship for all in our high school. All that is necessary is the joining of some group activity - any group.

By increasing our skills in human relations, we find ourselves with a deeper understanding of the role of the individual as a member of society; we discover that loyal co-operation leads to sincere friendship, and we learn that activities are moulded to fit our needs for self-expression and relaxation.

We learn that life with a group is fun - and that a group with life is even better!



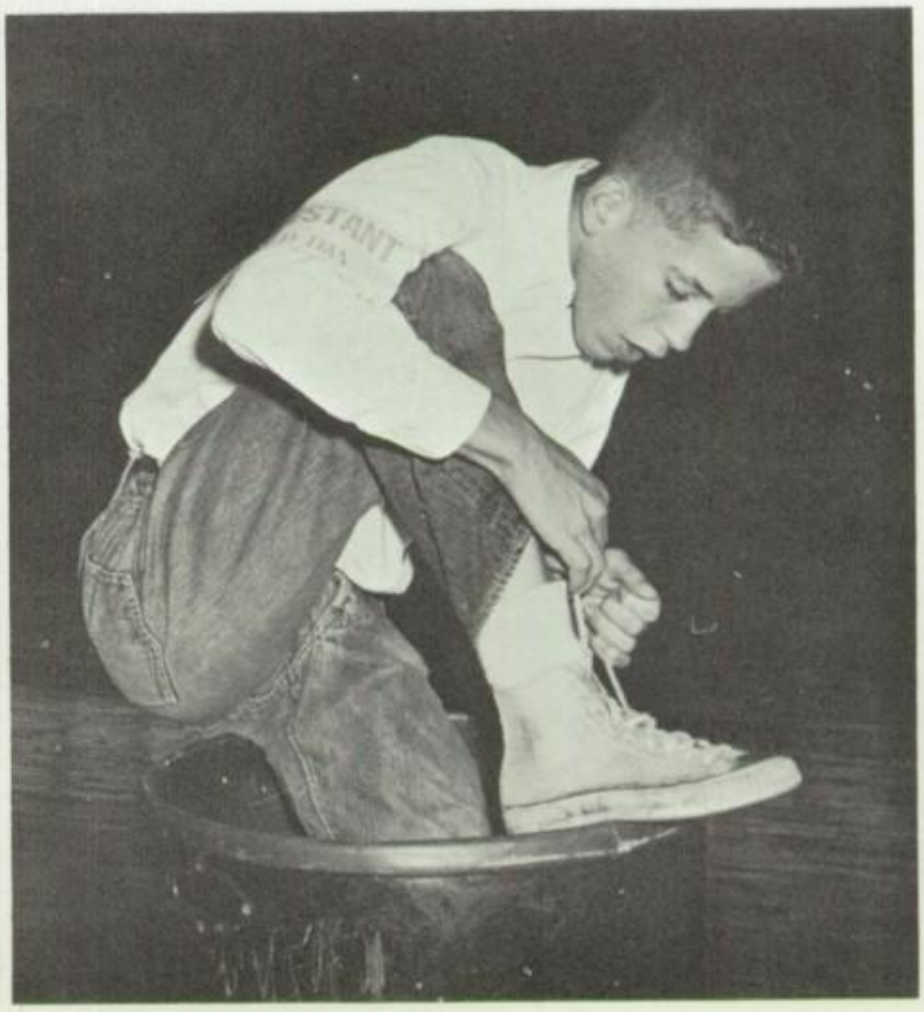


Class spirit mounts with points

Tension mounts during the field events where classes tend to be more nearly free and equal. Posting the running score for three classes are Tom Hogan, Bob Guyer, Dave Ritchie, Dave Cook, and Sue Rippingille. Seniors lead and led to the end.

Hanging between heaven and earth, victory and defeat, Sally Hibbard, senior, gives that extra bounce to widen the gap between the junior and senior scores.

It's in the barrel - the shoes that is. The barrel causes spectators many tense moments, while contestants, frantically tugging at shoelaces or groping in the bottom of the barrel, try to get shoes on and reach the finish line first. Dave Chalk enters for the junior class.



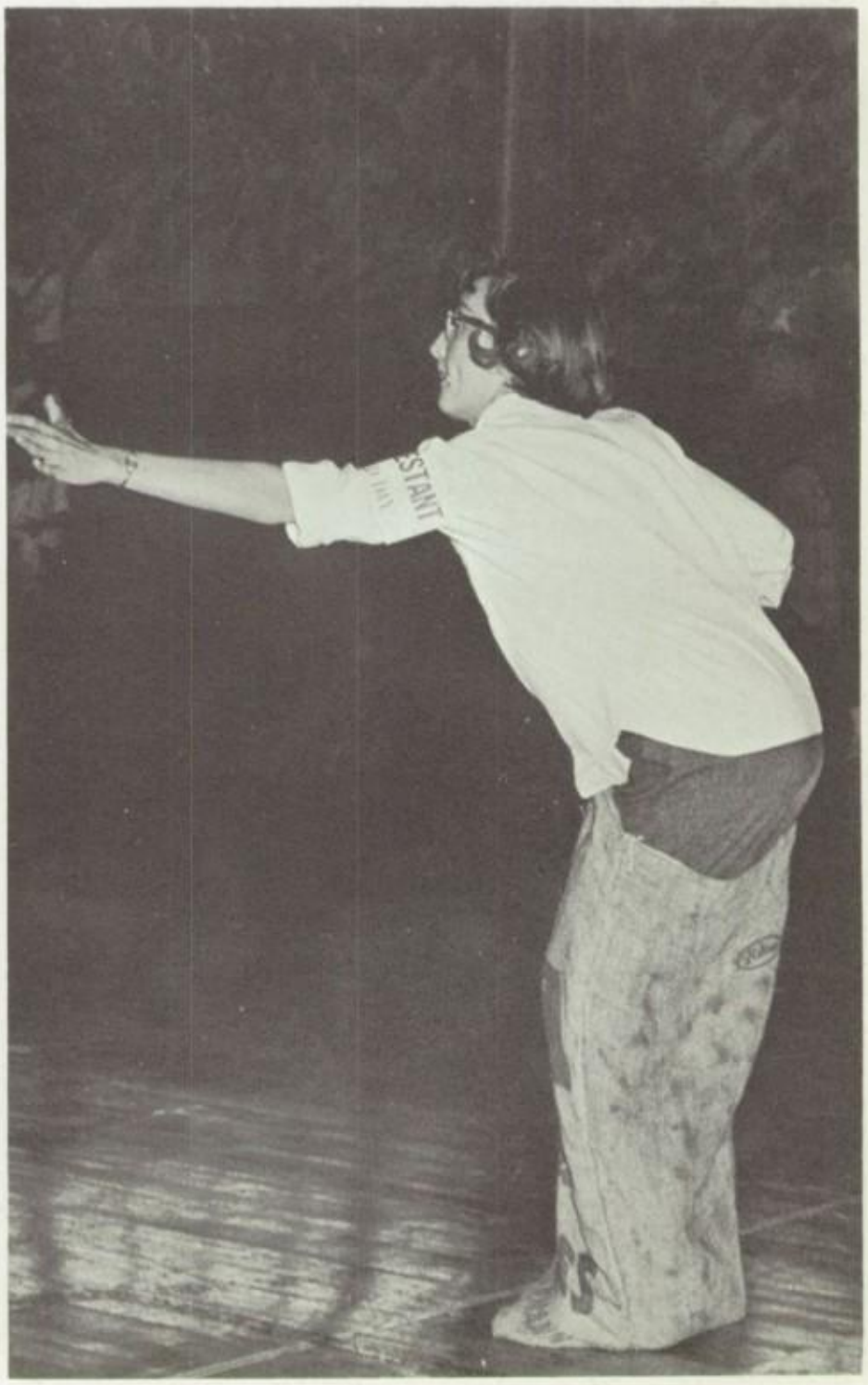
We all wanted that cider barrel

The plans, the work, the anticipation, and at last Field Day. The classes - Siamese sophomores, juniors with the Forward Look, the Highlander seniors - marched into the gym, standing in silent dignity during competitive cheering and until events began. Although each class won a main event, the seniors triumphed by a score of 105 to the juniors' 92 and the sophomores' 65.

Pull, pull, pull! The juniors did, and won, beating the seniors and the sophomores in the tug of war.

Led by Jim Bain, senior class president, and Grace Wagner, senior chairman of Field Day, the Highlanders marched to victory and won the traditional cider barrel. Receiving their honors are Bob Benson, junior class president, Ruth Ann Huffman, junior chairman; Ann Lawrence, sophomore chairman: and Bob Taylor, sophomore class president.

Grounded, Alice Sawyer strains to reach her airborne partner for the signal that will send her leaping across the gymnasium to victory for the seniors.



Student Congress captures EML trophy for third year

Attentively listening to Don Thalacker, president, is the first semester house of representatives. ROW 1 - Mary Lu Pomeroy, Susan Sutherland, Sue Polhemus, Peggy Bruce, Beth Burroughs, Judy Austin, Jane Severs, Sue Hard, Nancy Olsen; ROW 2 - Paula Struck, Sarah Hogan, Carol Moody, Jan Lynch, Carolyn Chappell, Julie Guest, Linda Burkman, Joyce Francis, Betty Nichols; ROW 3 - Jane Torrence, Penny Ball, Pat Langley, Dave Cook, Sue Little, Pat Berry, Andy Hawley, Martha Hill, Dory Rodgers; ROW 4 - Frank McGinnis, Ray Wilkinson, Steve Pew, Ted Schaefer, D'Arline De Jongh, Louise Cataldo, Betsy Carrol, Judy Gray; ROW 5 - Bob Stephenson, Phil Andreae, Bob Parker, Dennis Conlan, Bob Innes, Ran Hamner, Bill Montgomery, Jack Matthias, Nancy Maxwell; ROW 6 - Dave Bird, Mike Patterson, James Husted, Steve Hunter, Bill Muenchinger, Dave Lindley, Tom da Fonseca, Mrs. Darling, advisor.

Mike Patterson, president; conducts a discussion during a session of the second semester house of representatives. ROW 1 - Barb Hobart, Don Thalacker, Sarah Hogan, Pat Berry, Zoni Lassiter, Judy Eastburn, Sharon Jones, Barb Cueny, Carol Decker; ROW 2 - Sally Long, Paula Struck, Judy Austin, Katherine Garrett, Ann Buchanan, Sue Cooper, Bev Close, Gerry Barinoff, Barbara Hansen; ROW 3 - Art Chantler, Errol Brisendine, Mike Conroy, Herb Snellings, Pat MacLennan, Sue Elliott, Ginny Irwin, Dory Rodgers, Nancy Olsen; ROW 4 - Ted Schaefer, Jeff Life, Dave Muhlitner, Tom Fontaine, Mike Brandt, Bill Stark, Pete Jackson, Howie Davis, Tom da Fonseca; ROW 5 - Liz Thomson, Bill Muenchinger, Steve Taylor, Jim Trusell, Roger Kissam, Doug St. John, Jim Husted, Tom Bechtel; ROW 6 - Jim Varnum , Klaus Parsch, Judie Burns, Kent Cardell, Mrs. Darling, adviser.

Elections come but twice a year

A good year opened in Congress with the arrival of our two foreign exchange students, and continued with a successful Field Day organized by Congress committees.

The usual responsibilities faced the representatives. The lost and found, health, parking lot and cafeteria committees relieved the office staff and teachers of time-consuming jobs. The social committee planned the all-school fall sports honor dance and the recreation department's New Year's dance.

The Christmas good will campaigns for Mr. Miller, Hungarian relief, and the Salvation Army baskets were carried out under leadership of the first-semester Student Congress. The responsibilities for these projects were among the many duties of officers Fred Finkenauer, treasurer; Sue Tabor, secrteary; Pat Berry, vice president, and Don Thalacker, president.

ROW 1 - Pat Berry. Sarah Hogan Carol Weston, Carol Bain, Kay Mabley, Jim Lewis, Mary Burkman, Tom da Fonseca; ROW 2 - Bob Kipp, Bob Benson, Bob Taylor, Don Thalacker, Punch Le Messurier, Kem Hogan, Fred Finkenauer; ROW 3 - Roger Hard, Jim Bain, Frank Wilson.

The Senate is given the responsibility of directing elections and approving charters for new clubs. This year members also took charge of raising money to finance the foreign students' Washington trip. This group also has charge of Civic Control Day.

The second-semester house was led by Frank Wilson, treasurer; Mike Patterson, president; Julie Hoover, secretary of the senate, is not in the picture. The American Field Service drive, the sophomore orientation problem, and the Eastern Michigan Conference trophy competition were among the many activities.

Fellow members of EML discuss problems among friends

Seventy-five chickens were required to fill the plates of Eastern Michigan Conference delegates during a break in a busy schedule of discussions and speeches. A display of talent from each school represented provided entertainment with the meal. Sue Hard, Anne Lawrence and Judy Gray offer refreshments to the hungry delegates at an early morning cocoa break.

Arriving from all schools in the Eastern Michigan League, the delegates for the Eastern Michigan Conference swarmed up the stairs of Birmingham high school and into the lobby to register. A general assembly in the little theater followed, during which a panel of foreign exchange students gave their views on life in the United States. For an hour before a talk by the Reverend Robert Richards of Livonia, discussion groups met, after which luncheon was served. Tours were then conducted by members of Cicerone. Birmingham scored another success, bringing members of different schools and different nations closer together to realize the full meaning of this year's conference theme: "Walk together, talk together, O ye peoples of the earth. Then and only then shall ye have peace."

Current problems of the schools were topics considered by the six discussion groups. The delegates talked about the American Field Service, pep clubs, student government operation, assembly programs, social problems and pet grievances. D'Arline DeJongh expresses her views to Nancy Dawe, Sarah Hogan, Gary Boot, Ron Fenwyk, Abby Peterson, and Dick Williston.

We get to know each other

Walk together, talk together, O ye peoples of the earth; then and only then shall ye have peace.

The fall session of the Eastern Michigan Conference of student governments was called to order by Pete Brink, president. This organization, started in 1947 by Port Huron, is dedicated to the purpose of encouraging better spirit, sportsmanship, and general relations among the schools of the Eastern Michigan League. Richard Adams, a Birmingham student, submitted the constitution that is now used for the Conference. The six EML schools take turns hosting these conferences which meet twice a year. Birmingham took its turn this year.

"Will the meeting please come to order," requests Pete Brink as he opens the nineteenth session of the Eastern Michigan Conference. Pete served as president of the meeting this year while Sally Hanson was secretary and Steve Pew chairman. Organization was the key word of the officers who displayed their capability in producing one of Birmingham's most successful projects.

Behind the scenes organization resulted in an efficient get acquainted program which was planned by the registration committee for the Eastern Michigan League conference. Representatives from the six schools were given name tags and programs by Sue Polhemus, Dave Lindley, Judy Austin, Bev Ford, and Paula Struck.

We are making plans for teaching, business careers

BUSINESS CLUB - ROW 1 - Karen Rosenquist, Pat Pepperell, Sharon Farr, Linda Moorhead, Janet Murphy, Andrea Southworth, Fred Moore, William Pope, Don Tate. ROW 2 - Donna Lidgey, Joan Duncan, Phyllis Frasure, Julie Storch, Kaye Johnson, Gloria White, Pat Foster, Carol Ryan, Sibyl Hampton, Beth Brannack, Connie Fetting, Stanley Lowell, Helen Hrlic. ROW 3 - Leslie Crabb, Bud Fix. Donald Hellstrom, Richard Renchard, Rodger Melke, Jim Stern, Mike Arnold, Frank Edman.

Business Club was organized to promote professional and social growth among students. The annual bosses' dinner, senior picnic, and gifts to Care were among the varied activities. Members of Business Club members work together to build themselves through the co-operative program into people of the future.

Future Teachers' purpose is to acquaint interested students with the teaching profession in its various aspects. This is accomplished through cadet teaching, a program in which senior members visit and observe schools, films, and speakers. Each year a scholarship for college preparation for teaching is given to the most active senior girl.

FUTURE TEACHERS CLUB - ROW 1 - Joan Fox, Mary Burkman, treasurer; Jan McDonald, vice president; Peggy Joyner, president; Judy Austin, secretary; Beth Grix. ROW 2 - Janice Green, Barb Taylor, Sally Satterthwaite, Laura Szymke, Margaret Powell, Janet Hershberger, Marsha Keys, Carol Peck, publicity chairman. ROW 3 - Emily Tucker, Martha Cox, Ann Garrison, Sue Benscoter, Lynn Sutherland, Julie A'Hearn, Barbara Hayes, Mary Ellen Jones, Martha Hill. ROW 4 - Sharon Brodie, Sara Hogan, Cathy Melnichuk, Janet Rigby, Pat Bannon, Calla Reasoner, Judy Kalmbach, Gwen Fett, Nancy Stewart, Mary Ellen Bleakley. ROW 5 - Polly Pilditch, Myrna Moxley, Carol Markhoff, Joyce Schrage, Caryl Powell, Nancy Bridenstine, Katherine Zabriskie, Pat Ruhly.

Professions in nursing, writing, business are in the future.

FUTURE SECRETARIES' CLUB - ROW 1 - Elizabeth Schaule, Mary McKee. ROW 2 - Grace Miller, Ruby Parker, vice president; Ann Fortune, president; Janet Seyferth, treasurer; Ann DeHart, secretary; Roberta Martin. NOT IN PICTURE: Mr. Bostwick, adviser.

Future Secretaries' Club was formed this year to help girls who are planning secretarial careers learn about opportunities and cultivate the qualities of a good secretary. Activities included bake sales, movies, field trips, and a speaker. The girls adopted a welfare family and presented it with a Christmas basket.

Students buying fruit from the machine in the cafeteria help the Future Nurses' Club to support a Korean orphan. Field trips, speakers, and movies helped the girls to gain more knowledge of nursing. Another attraction to meetings this past year was the election of a Future-Nurse-of-the-Month.

SCRIBBLERS' CLUB - ROW 1 - Martha Baker, Barb Taylor, Betsy Carroll, Linda LaMarre, Judy Mitchell, Sue Ketchum, Marilyn Gelmine, Ann McLellan, Mary Roberts. ROW 2 - Jan Lynch, corresponding secretary; Nancy Stewart, treasurer; Jan Miller, vice president; Sally Hanson, president; Nancy Maxwell, recording secretary.

Scribblers' Club, reorganized this year, is a group devoted to creative writing and literary appreciation. In informal, bimonthly meetings, the members criticize each other's work and discuss various topics concerning literature in general.

FUTURE NURSES' CLUB - ROW 1 - Carol Houghton, program chairman; Gay Birchard, treasurer; Judy Gray, president; Liz Thomson, vice president; Janet Mitchell, charity chairman. ROW 2 - Carol Drinkard, Ginger Backus, Joan Trouteaud, Sandy Bennett, Julie Magnuson, Nancy Heavenrich, Sandy Helmrich, Marilyn Cook. ROW 3 - Karin Kesler, Paula Hughes, Lynn Issette, Doug Goodfellow, Linda Bliss, Mary Anne Curtis, Deanna Kenjoski, Ann Weddell. ROW 4 - Joyce Rose, Kathleen McGowan, Deanna Derr, Sally Hunt, Ann Robinson, Dot Green, Jewel Ofenstein. ROW 5 - Mariann Ulrich, Sue Cooper, Nancy Jenkins, Nancy Cope, Jeannie Abbott, Mary Emery. NOT IN PICTURE: Mary Heavenrich, Sue Leader, secretary; Gretchen Ruhl.

NATIONAL THESPIANS - ROW 1 - Anne Alexander, Susan Sutherland, secretary; Andy Hawley, president; Sue Ketchum, Pete Loomis. ROW 2 - Linda Kohloff, Judy Austin, Jean Spencer, Don Thalacker, Brian Deans. ROW 3 - Mike Patterson, Karen Koenig, Bryant Hilliard, Don Nichols, Kem Hogan, Dick Henderson.

National Thespians is a countrywide dramatic organization dedicated to the advancement of dramatic arts in high school. At Birmingham, National Thespians remains mainly an honorary club admitting only those who have shown excellence in the phases of speech and dramatics. We only recently gained enough persons to plan activities on a scale of any size.

Proscenium boasts a membership of over 100. Its purpose as stated in the constitution, is "To create an interest in dramatics, to provide entertainment for ourselves and others, and to further our education in this field".

PROSCENIUM - ROW 1 - Susan Sutherland, Nicky Parsons, Nancy Olsen, Grace Wagner, Judy Mitchell, Sue Ketchum, Marianne Sinclair, Carol Williams, Alice Sawyer, Barbara Smith, Julia Smith. ROW 2 - Sandy Shukait, Sally Satterthwaite, Jan Lynch, Keppy Patton, Kay Mabley, Janet Kegel, Jane Mohler, Sue Tabor, Linda Kohlhof, Norma Webb, Nancy Layman, Cathy Melnichuk. ROW 3 - Sue Smith, Jan LeMessurier, Ted Schaefer, Pete Loomis, Mike Patterson, Jean Spencer, Judy Walker, Janet Rigby, Karen Koenig, Alison Woodhouse, Betty Nichols. ROW 4 - Jan McDonald, Mickey Michaels, Tom Thorson, Dave Parnie, Terry Oldberg, Tomaz da Fonseca, Ann Spoelstra, Steve Pew, Frank Mc Ginnis, Ron Morrow, Don Nichols. NOT IN PICTURE: Chris Kennedy, Klaus Parsch, Mary Alice Thurber.

We create interest, entertain, educate each other . . .

Producing a play is a long and tedious process. This year Proscenium presented Light Up the Sky for its winter project. Rehearsals were three days every week for six weeks. The thespians were sometimes refreshed during a particularly tiresome session by delicious refreshments. Mrs. Cloonan, director; Steve Pew, Pete Loomis, John Bonds, Mary Alice Thurber, Linda Kohlhof, Jan LeMessieur, Dave Parnie, and Bryant Hilliard.

ROW 1 - John Bonds, Susie Hindle, Sue DeNador, Barb Hobart, Nancy Gish, Judy Flynn, Barbara Dadd, Judy Hardin, Martha Cox, Marilyn Davis. ROW 2 - Connie Gordon, Linda Bliss, Ginny Horner, Jane Adams, Sue Booker, Mary Goss, Judy Austin, Stu Gray, Sharon Byers, Pat Fuller, Linda Henning. ROW 3 - Pat Berry, Anne Alexander, Lois Bernitt, Andy Hawley, Brian Deans, Patti Dennison, Joanne Cross, Gail Christie, Judy Dodrill, Jane Cunningham, Julie Hoover. ROW 4 - Sue Hard, Betsy Carroll, Dick Griffith, Harry Altick, Dick Henderson, Art Chantler, Clarke Andreae, Kem Hogan, Bryant Hilliard. NOT IN PICTURE: Don Andreae, Sue Bollinger, Barb Brian, Sue Burkhart, Lee Carkner, Dorothy Collins, Nancy Doherty, Hely Heldenstein.

The Proscenium board is responsible for planning meetings, choosing plays, and acting as general guiding light to the club.

ROW 1 - Frank McGinnis, Jr. board member; Mike Patterson, president; Sue Tabor, recording secretary; Kem Hogan, treasurer; John Bonds, vice president; Susie Hindle, corresponding secretary; Andy Hawley. NOT IN PICTURE: Mary Alice Thurber.

This year Proscenium presented a Christmas play, which was part of an assembly, a winter play, Light Up the Sky ; a melodrama, and spring play. These productions provide experience in directing, acting and other phases of theater work. Proscenium meetings have been known for interesting, educational speakers and demonstrations and the Greenwich Village minutes.

We engage in all activities

The PA staff was reorganized this year, and announcements improved a great deal through the work of selected staff members. Putting out the morning bulletin are Marc Oberschultie, Dick Griffith, Don Nichols, Kathy Garrett and Brian Deans.

Junior Musicale is a club for juniors and seniors sponsored by the Birmingham Musicale to further musical interests. Members attend concerts, put on a program for the Veterans' hospital, and present biennial concerts.

Civil Air Patrol is designed to interest young people in aviation. Cadets learn drill, meteorology, radio, and the history of flight. The Birmingham squadron played host to foreign exchange cadets, used knowledge gained through much practice in actual search missions for downed aircraft, and marched in many city parades.

CIVIL AIR PATROL - ROW 1 - Ford Kamin, Jeffrey Berno, Gwen Harover, Jewel Ofenstein, Susan Howell, George Close, Pat Cornell. ROW 2 - Stewart Loud, Gary Madisers, Martin Weinrich, John Kaszubowski, Ross Akerley, Robin Tillotson. ROW 3 - Paul Becker, Bill Witheridge, Don Wright, Cliff Rice. ROW 2 - Sue Rippingille, recording secretary; Ann Buchanan, Don Ritter, Penny Ball, Steve Taylor, vice president; Dory Rodgers, Sally Satterthwaite, Ann Soltis.

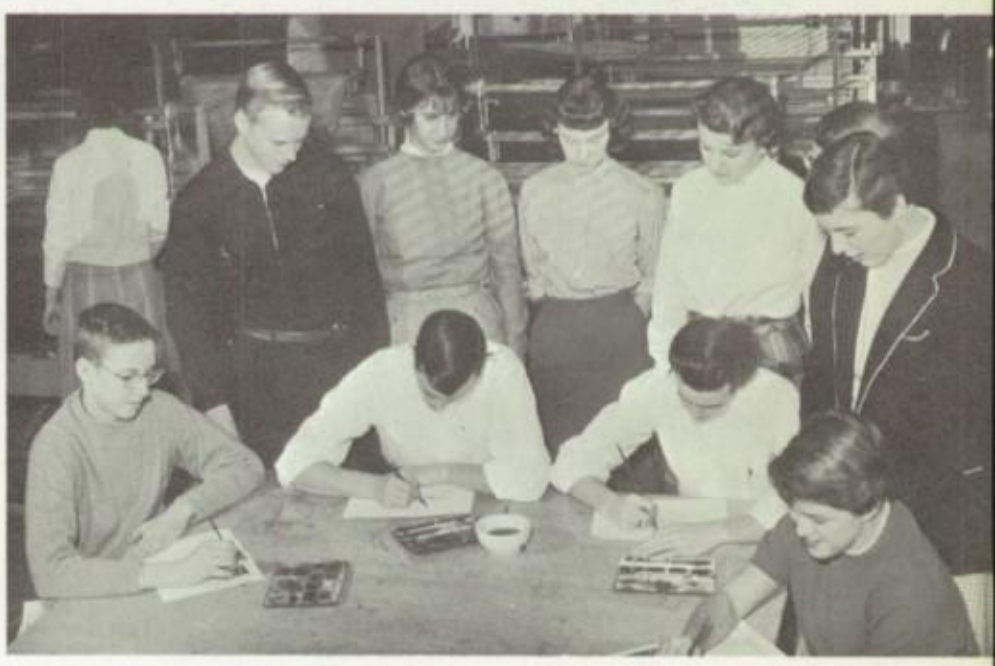
We vary from arts to foods

GARCON - ROW 1 - Jan Lynch, Judy Walker, Mark Reid, Pat Berry, Andy Brodhun, Kent Cardell, Penny King. ROW 2 - Carol Green, Marilyn Bratton, Judy Kalmbach, Susie Rippingille, Mr. Richards, Pat Ruhly, Elizabeth Ingraham, Jan LeMessurier, Janet Rigby, Carol Williams, Judy Hardin, Ann Makemson, Bill Stark. ROW 3 - Martin Knorr, Mike Patterson, Buzz Fegley, John Thurber, George Bouse.

Garcon, French for waiter, is appropriately named, as its main function is to serve at all school banquets.

Home Economics girls learn home management and many useful skills. A progressive dinner prepared by the members and demonstration programs helped further knowledge of home economics during the year.

HOME ECONOMICS CLUB - ROW 1 - Carol Peck, Katherine Lafer, Judy Hardin, historian; Roberta Martin, Peggy Joyner, Janet Seyferth, Marilyn Davis, Karen Barnes, Martha Cox. ROW 2 - Miss Thom, Ann Soltis. ROW 3 - Janet Rigby, secretary; Martha Hill, president; Margaret Powell, treasurer. NOT IN PICTURE: Linda Boileau, Mary Hawley, vice president; Linda Kohlhof, Barb Preston, Karen Walker.

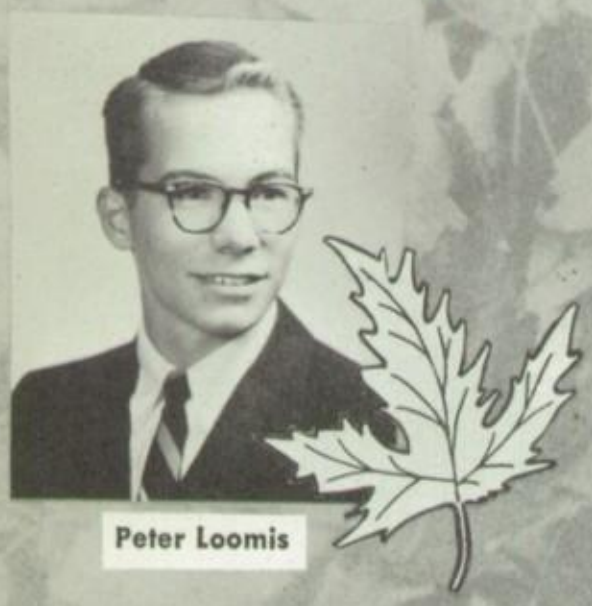


THE ART CLUB - ROW 1 - Ron Buchanan, Earl Brown, Dale Dunlop, Bev Hait, publicity. ROW 2 - Dave Lowrie, Ginny Naylon, secretary-treasurer; Jan Rossman, Polly Pilditch, Sandy Shukait, president. ROW 3 - Emily Tucker, Sally Ann Pope, vice president. NOT IN PICTURE: Diane Gardner, Diane Gofrank, Joan Kidd, Judy Marucco.

'57 Varieties

Judy von Rosen

Brian Deans



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Helen Cortright

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Gail Christie

Joyce Meyer

Arnauld Issette

Dana Vass

Helen Cortright - Four Forensic keys; second in state 1956 Hearst Oratory contest; member city championship debate team.

Sally Hanson - Twice National Scholastic Writing Award winner; many gold keys Southeastern Scholastic Writing contests.

Arnauld Issette - Youngest member of curling team in America.

Judy von Rosen - First four - year journalist; editor - in - chief 1956 Highlander, 1957 Piper; member Quill and Scroll; winner of Diamond Star Award.

Dana Vass - Ballet dancer with Detroit Symphony orchestra.

Jane Severs - Many blue ribbons for riding, horsemanship.

Joyce Meyer - Winner of many cups, medals in fencing; seventh in state preliminaries.

Sue Polhemus - Recipient of numerous skiing medals and trophies in slalom and downhill racing.

Peter Loomis - Summer scholarship to Cornell University; top scorer with 99.9 on verbal section Scholarship Qualifying Tests; 97 on quantitative thinking.

Gail Christie - Member Junior, Senior and International Synchronized swimming teams.

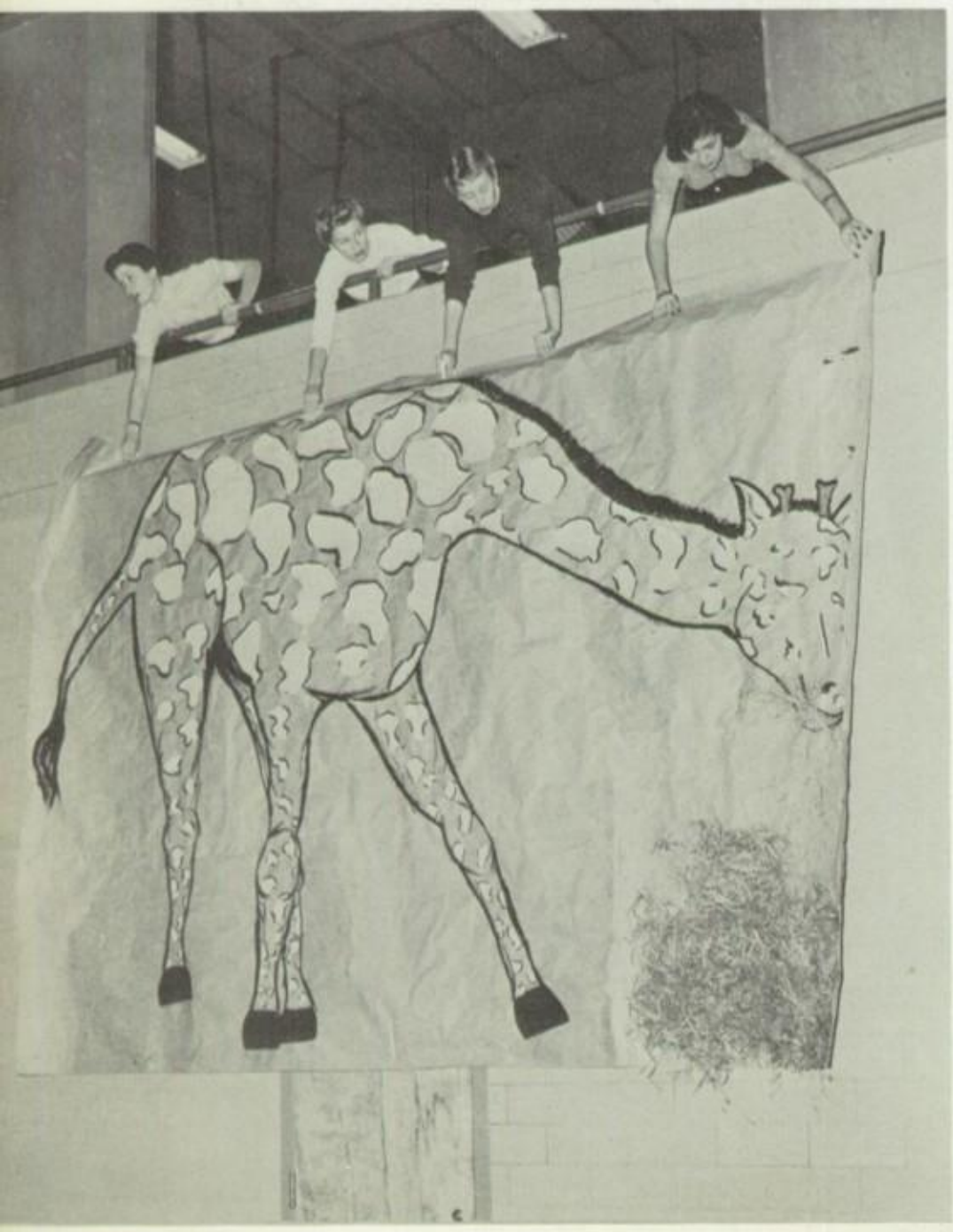
Sally Wells - Recipient many awards at Detroit Skating Club.

Brian Deans - Worked on Wayne University TV crew; school's best radio technician; won scholarship to the Dale Carnegie speaking course.

Circus clowns invade school

A colorful, exciting circus was the setting for Circa Scenium, this year's variety show. The gymnasium was filled with bright scenery and meandering clowns who grimaced or frolicked according to demands of their parts. Musical and skill acts of all kinds captured the hearts of the audience. Circus-attired vendors sold snacks to hungry people. Performers left exhausted but pleased with the results of their efforts, the memories and smell of sawdust and greasepaint with them for hours afterward.

And they're off! Miss Reid and Mr. Bostwick, taking advantage of the tricycles used in another act, provide the cast and themselves with some behind-the-scenes entertainment at one of the numerous rehearsals.



Helping to set the scene for the big show, Sue Smith, Judy Brierley, Judy Klapproth, and Jill Royle hang this hungry giraffe in place. The art classes painted all the scenery, adorning the gymnasium with the gay characters which represent the circus world.

"Paging Mr. Angelocci." F. J. McGinnis and Jan Coyle revised an old vaudeville stunt to amuse the audience between acts. The plant, a thoughtful but rather impractical gift for Mr. Angelocci, director of the show, grew at each entrance, finally reaching the size of a small tree - and turned out to be some of the greenery from the lobby.

Rock 'n roll climaxes show

Always a specially billed attraction and top secret till presented for the First Nighters, the teachers' number was the most with its cool cats. Sporting sideburns that would make Elvis green-eyed and wearing pastel peg pants, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Bostwick, Mr. Cooch, and Mr. Angelocci keep the jive joint jumpin', dancing their version of the Chicken with Miss Reid, Mrs. Ransom, and other babes not in the picture.

Working behind the scenes sound engineers Tom Baldwin and Robin Tillotson keep the show running smoothly. Their jobs consisted of playing records, adjusting microphones and preventing last minute emergencies.

The show and the makeup must go on. Grease paint and powder cake the faces of dozens of circus performers for presentation of Circa Scenium. Big clowns, little clowns, happy clowns and sad clowns file through the makeup room. Putting the finishing touches on her newly made face is Sandy Helmrich.

"Ladies and gentlemen, you are now about to watch the greatest show on earth." With these words ringmasters Andy Hawley and Don Nichols opened the circus under the Big Top.

We are friends of all nations

"We the members of the United Nations of Birmingham high school" are a chartered organization. Directed by Mr. Pappas, BUNA helps promote a better understanding of people and problems of other nations. The mock UN assembly gives members a knowledge of the problems of assigned countries and the world. Activities include the pancake supper and a visit by delegates to the mock UN assembly at Hillsdale College.

With precision timing and expert aim, Mr. Johnson, a Pillsbury chef flipped hundreds of fluffy flapjacks for members of BUNA. The dinner, followed by a business meeting, put into action the plans for the general assembly in May. It was attended by many foreign exchange students, making a truly international gathering.

ROW 1 - Bob Peckheiser, Jeff Peters, Don Walsh, Larry Quinn, Bruce Smith, Dan Roberts, Robin Tillotson, Nancy Pollack, Madelyn Roberts, Sue VanHook, Nancy Stewart, Gail Weckesser, Mike Nordstrom. ROW 2 - Tom Thorson, Dave Parnie, Nancy Olson, Sue Tabor, Norma Webb, Janet Rigby, Pat Ruhly, Barb Nunneley, Peggy Nothoff, Sue Smith, Nancy Savage, Jim Yeomans. ROW 3 - Jill Nethercot, Don Thalacker, Diana Stokes, Carol Peck, Margaret Powell, Lynn Sutherland, Betty Nichols, Mary Slater, Katherine Zabriskie, Joyce Schrage, Karen Purnell, Susan Sutherland, Jean Spencer, Warren Hardy. ROW 4 - Vicky Nunneley, Barb Taylor, Alison Woodhouse, Don Nichols, Ronnie Rogers, Dick Trzcinski, Harvey Sellner, Don Zimmerman, Mike Sommer, Bill Rutten, Kem Valentine, John Thurber.

ROW 1 - John Thurber, finance; Mickey Michaels, correspondence; Betsy Carroll, program; Art Chantler, sergeant-at- arms; Sue Ketchum, secretary of security council; Mary Burkman, parliamentarian; Steve Pew, president of general assembly; Jan McDonald, secretary-general; Ellen Rosselot, secretary of the general assembly; Dorothy Rodgers, president of security council; Myrna Moxley, finance chairman; Barb Hobart, finance co-chairman; Carol Decker, social chairman; Mike Patterson, education chairman. ROW 2 - Mr. Pappas, Judy Gray, Sue Booker, Pat Fuller, Julie Hoover, Marsha Keys, Gay Birchard, Kay Mabley, Judy Austin, Lois Bernitt, Jean Abbott, Lynne Easter, Alene Dauer, Gayle Bristol, Ann DeHart, Dot Green, Connie Gordon, Marilyn Davis, Judy Hardin. ROW 3 - Judy Klapproth, Nancy Jenkins, Lynn Griem, Gail Dettlinger, Nancy Cope, Sue Benscoter, Janice Green, Annette LeMessurier, Louise Cataldo, Francie Harris, Kathy Garrett, Barbara Bond, Jan Miller, Chad Bonnett, Nancy Maxwell, Mary Goss, Pete Brink, Jim Trusell. ROW 4 - Doug Goodfellow, Sandy Bennett, Martin Knorr, David Karns, John Merrihew, Bill Moriarty, Judy Kalmbach, Barbara Dadd, Ann McLellan, Judy Nelson, Paula Hughes, Tom daFonseca, Jean McGregor, Dick Keier, Bill Cartwright, Alan Carpenter. ROW 5 - Nita Ferrill, Janet Brooks, Judy Mitchell, Jane Adams, Isabel Macdonald, Pat Henny, Ruthann Huffman, Jan LeMessurier, Pat Hogan, Sharon Byers, Marcia McFarland, Carol Bain, Chris Carlson, Carol Moody, Dick Hendeman, Dick Griffith. ROW 6 - Pete Loomis, Carl Andeer, Nick Bodor, Pat Berry, Katherine Lafer, F. J. McGinnis, Linda Kohlhof, Terry Bird, Bill Mc Farlen, George Miller, Jim Husted, Kem Hogan, Linda La Marre, Dave Mortimer, Ken Gertz.

Philip Runkel

Kermit Ambrose

Robert Williams

Gordon Trayer

They learn driving skills, car maintenance, traffic laws

Because of a new state law passed by the legislature last year to go into effect February 1, 1957, any new driver who wants his license must take a course in driver training. Each student is required to spend 30 hours in the classroom. This course consists of teaching traffic laws, the application of common sense to probable driving situations, and seeing several safety movies.

Then six hours must be spent in actual driving practice in dual control cars using the old type of gearshift. Valuable experience is gained in traffic, parallel and angle parking, even changing tires. To keep the car in working condition students are taught the fundamentals of mechanics.

By means of street layouts on a large magnetized board, Mr. Trayer explains the techniques of parallel parking to Jackie Pugh and Jane Sapala. This classroom instruction prepares students for actual driving in traffic.

An important part of this program is the time spent behind the wheel. For safety measures, cars are provided with dual brakes and clutch control. Under Mr. Trayer's instruction, Barb Struck puts to practical use the pointers taught in the classroom while Gary Shannon observes.

VARSITY CLUB - ROW 1 - Jim MacDonald, vice president; Fred Bleakley, recording secretary; Tony Evangelista, president; Lynn Benn, vice president; Pat Berry, president; Dick Keier, treasurer. ROW 2 - John Howell, Gary Schack, John Baker, Joe Schlesinger, Dave Chalk, Warren Risk, Dick Cloonan, Jay Stark. ROW 3 - Ed Busch, Bob Peckheiser, Dave Birk, Tom Fontaine, Chuck Gibson, James Fry, Dick Henderson, George Miller, Dick Miller. ROW 4 - Greg Ruddy, Pete Green, Ron Cornila, Jon Overgard, Dave Cook, Frank Michelson, Bill Yogus, Bob Benson, Phil Ingraham, Martin Knorr, Frank McGinnis, Ken Gertz, Marshall Roe, Bob Stephenson, Bill McFarlen, Mike Nordstrom, Pete Ritchie, Tom Bechtel.

We support our teams with our cheers, pep

Varsity Club supports the Birmingham athletic program and other community activities. Money raised through basketball concessions was donated to the Marc Joslyn Memorial Fund, the Torch Fund, and purchase of athletic equipment. To become a member of the Varsity Club a boy must have been awarded a varsity letter in a school-sponsored sport.

Pep Club strives to create spirit both on and off the field of play. Feeling runs high before a big game; and a congo line, posters, and skits generate pep. Identifiable by parkas, dark skirts, pompoms, and high spirits, 250 girls engage in organized cheering at home football and basketball games.

PEP CLUB - ROW 1 - Judy Krempa, Bev Ford, Carol Bain, Midge Taup, Gib Slater, Sharon Byers, Paula Struck, Ann Cope. ROW 2 - Claryn Mortimer, Mary Leach, Gerry Barber, Connie Gordon, Doris Greve, Nancy Proctor, Jean Schmuck, Pixie Yingling, Mary Goss, Sue Riddell, Barb Cueny, Susan Schlachter, Joan Vinton, Sarah Hogan, treasurer; Sue Polhemus, secretary; Mrs. Monzelle Clark, advisor; Gail Christie, president; Chris Lewis, Sue Tabor, Mary Lu Pomeroy, Judy Austin, Diana Stokes, Kay Mabley, Nancy Stewart, Ruthann Huffman, Peggy Nothoff, Judy Winchell, Diane Richardson, Anne Graham, Joann Davies, Annette LeMessurier, Sandy Voss, Joan Cartwright, Janice Green. ROW 3 - Nita Ferrill, Jan McDonald, Jeannie Andrus, Ginger Backus, Barbara Dadd, Marianne Sinclair, Sandy Beaudoin, Carol Williams, Sue Rogers, Ann Spoelstra, Joyce Schrage, Sue Cooper, Norma Webb, Gayle Pacult, Linda Stone, Pat Ruhly, Janet Brooks, Pat Bannon, Deane Ryan, Pat Langley, Kathie Farrell, Carolyn Bishop, Lin Harrison, Elaine McNab, Linda Burkman, Di Kennedy, Karel McCurry, Dotty Dreyer, Barb Struck, Julie Rasmussen, Joan Rassmussen. ROW 4 - Diana Greenleaf, Carole Tarsney, Deanna Kenjoski, Deanna Derr, Bev Close, Linda Olson, Pat Hovey, Nancy Todd, Mimi Pilditch, Kathi Brosenne, Katherine Zabriskie, Bonnie Bates, Carole Trzos, Jean Stinson, Joan Skafuri, Lynne McWilliams, Barb Falconer, Gale McIntosh, Lynne Scherer, Judy Miller, Kathy Koenig, Ann Buchanan, Roxie Rundle, Sue Conway, Sharon Holmes, Mary Heavenrich, Joann Purmort, Cynthia Christine. Martin, Helen Cortright, Gail Symons, Chris Carlson, Sandra

Languages are fascinating

C'est une chanson, qui nous resemble . . . the songs by French vocalists, including Jean Sablon, provide a relaxing evening for Judy Walker and Ellen Rosselot. Munching cookies, they find that records not only are enjoyable but offer help in pronunciation . . . But the cookies are no help in the latter.

Those who speak French would certainly enjoy French Club, a group of students interested in supplementing classroom knowledge of the French language. Meetings are very informal and are conducted in French. A major project was a Christmas party at which the members played French games and sang French carols.

French Club - ROW 1 - Mr. Cooch, Judy Walker, vice president; Ann Spoelstra, secretary-treasurer; Janice Eskew, president; ROW 2 - Roxie Rundle, Ellen Rosselot, Sue Ketchum, Maryann Kyte, Ginger Backus; ROW 3 - Clarke Andreae, Judy Winchell, Jane Mohler, Jane Cunningham, Dave Carlisle, Steve Taylor. NOT IN PICTURE: Jan McDonald, Sue Hindle, Hely Heldenstein, Clark Hudson, Colin Grant-Watters, Jeff Dettlinger, Kathy McGowan.

Membership in the first year Spanish Club is open to all interested students who are taking first year Spanish and conversation. The meetings are conducted in that langauge because developing conversational ability is one of the primary objectives of the club. Members enjoy Spanish games and a trip to a Spanish restaurant.

Spanish Club I - ROW 1 - Carolyn Bishop, treasurer; Les Stevens, vice president; Midge Taup, president; Ruthann Huffman, secretary; Peggy Nothoff, Jill Morton; ROW 2 - Carol Donaldson, Dawne Karnes, Barb Shank, Gale McIntosh, Karen Barnes, Sally Long, Jill Purdy; ROW 3 - Marilyn Embury, Barb Cueny, Sharron Egan, Chris Hall, Kaye Stigleman, Elaine McNab, Gwen Fett, Patricia Doyle; ROW 4 - Jewel Ofenstein, Sue Van Hook, Joanne Lorcke, Linda Robeson, Deanna Jachimowicz, Gael Sisson, Mary Ellen Bleakley. NOT IN PICTURE: Sharon Bell, Jean Breman, Janet Cadwell, Lee Carkner, Doug Goodfellow, Barb Henderson, Pat Ruhly.

The purpose of Spanish Club II is to promote cultural appreciation and understanding of the Spanish speaking people. The club sang Christmas carols in Spanish and gave a Spanish Christmas party with a pinata. Dinner at a Spanish restaurant and a speaker who showed slides and talked on trips to Mexico proved interesting to all.

Spanish Club II - ROW 1 - Jill Nethercot, Mary Mudd, secretary; Mickey Michaels, president; Beckie Wood, vice president; Connie Zekit, treasurer; Gail Christie; ROW 2 - Sue Riddell, Nancy Mills, Jane St. Aubin, Joan Vinton, Karen Keene, Ann DeHart, Julie Rasmussen, Carla Foster, Joan Rasmussen; ROW 3 - Sue Boynton, Barbara Brian, Ginny Naylon, Myrna Moxley, Calla Reasoner, Mary Ellen Jones, Barb Taylor, Judy Hardin; ROW 4 - Don Walsh, Lynne Cloonan, Linda LaMarre, Dave Cook, Larry Sarten, Jim Maurer, Ted Mordaunt, Diane Gardner, Janet Seyferth; ROW 5 - Cliff Rice, Jean Spencer, Alison Woodhouse, Bobbie Wood, Mary Ojala, Judy Shafer, Bill O'Toole. NOT IN PICTURE: Sylvia Jones, Colin Stewart, Jackie Pugh, Marilyn Rubly.

We take welcome time out

Assembly club sponsors all assembly programs. Ten elected members represent each class, and each member is responsible for one program. Highlights of the year were the auction assembly in which the club raised over 600 dollars for the Torch Fund, Noel Stookey's return, and students' crazy stunts in the CBS television demonstration.

Showing a variety of talents, Newt Loken, the gymnastic coach at the University of Michigan, does complicated stunts on the trampoline. He brought him an excellent baton twirler and his two talented little daughters.

One of the most popular assemblies of the last two years was the Torch Fund auction assembly. The item that brought the most interest and raised the most money for the Torch Fund was a black and white mongrel puppy which was bought as a homeroom mascot by Pat McLennan for 97 dollars.

The candy sales are the main money making project and help pay for our many interesting assemblies. The officers Mickey Michaels, Kem Hogan, Steve Pew, Mary Lu Pomeroy; NOT IN PICTURE: Dave Muhlitner, Sarah Blunt, and Dave Ritchie, keep the club and cand sales running smoothly. They visited the new Ann Arbor High school to see how Ann Arbor organizes and pays for assemblies. They also toured the school and ate in the cafeteria.

to see top notch assemblies

ASSEMBLY CLUB - ROW 1 - Mary Lu Pomeroy, recording secretary; Virginia Huntoon, Hely Heldenstein, Bev Ford, Helen Cudini, Chris Carlson, Lynne Cloonan. ROW 2 - Anne Lawrence, Julie Schmidt, Sue Leahy, Jon DeHaan, Buzz Corsaut, Jan Le Messurier, Miss Dorothy Allen. ROW 3 - Tom Kelly, Mickey Michaels, Ed Busch, Jeff Life, James Fry, Don Andreae, Dave Muhlitner, John Hyde. ROW 4 - Steve Pew, president; Dave Ritchie, vice-president; Chuch Gibson, Howard Willett, Kem Hogan, treasurer; Bill Bushnell, Ted Schaefer. NOT IN PICTURE: Sarah Blunt, corresponding secretary; Phil Russell.

The Assembly club receives part of the activity ticket money, but most of the funds come from candy sales. Each year the proceeds of one week's sales are donated to the Marc Joslyn Memorial Fund.

An added pat on the back is in order for Jane Mohler, Bob Stephenson, Pete Brink, Bob Benson, Bryant Hilliard, and Phil De Beaubien for their greatly needed service of picking up papers in the halls during their free hour. Efforts like these are surely appreciated by the Assembly club and all the students, as they help to keep our school neat and clean.

"You're on, Mr. Kline", motions floor manager Errol Fortin during the assembly this year presented by WJBK-TV. A complete staff of actors, directors, cameramen and electricians filed into the gym with a full display of TV equipment. To the delight of the student audience, action in the gym was transmitted to television monitors placed along the floor so everybody got a chance to see himself on TV.

Radio acting skill, Hi-Y service stand us in good stead

The members of the Radio Actors' and Technicians' guild believe that the art of radio broadcasting is one of the most important media of mass communication and is a vital factor in our culture. Therefore they established this organization to further our understanding of this significant medium.

The purpose of Tri Delta Crosse Hi-Y is "to create, maintain, and extend throughout the house, school, and community high standards of Christian character." Hi-Y's outstanding activities include a United Nations study trip to New York, a state legislative day at Lansing, food baskets for needy families, and a food and clothing drive for Hungarian relief.

Gathered in the new radio control room listening to tape recorded shows are Andy Hawley, treasurer; Brian Deans, president; Warren Hardy, president of technicians; Don Nichols, vice pesident; Jeff Ott, vice president of technicians; Tom Kelly, secretary of technicians; and Linda Kohlhof, secretary.

TRI DELTA CROSSE HI-Y - ROW 1 - Al Rogerson, Terry Bird, Pat Berry, David Karns, Bill Mc Nabb, Barry Ludwig, Guy Brown, Jim Tomanek. ROW 2 - Bruce Richards, Tom Ellis, Dave Bahm, Pete Paisley, Jim Maurer, Rodger Milke, George Staudt, Doug St. John, Key Barker, Dick Johnston, chaplain; Rich Ward, treasurer; Mr. Clayton, Tom Pritchett vice president; Henry Baltzersen, secretary; Dick Pratt, president.

BLACK AND WHITE - ROW 1 - Bill Wiggins, Jim Fry, Jack Douglass, vice president; George Bouse, recording secretary; Tom Kelly, president. ROW 2 - Bruce Laidlaw, Bruce Epker, Robert Guyer, treasurer; Dave Smith, Larry Kelly. ROW 3 - Jeff Crawford, Glenn Orr, Ronnie Morrow, Pete Sintz, Roger Kissam.

Dances, drives, donations brought us all closer together

Black and White club was active this year in inter-club athletics and worked on many projects. Charity work included supporting an adopted orphan and donations to AFS, the Torch Fund, and a Harlem parish. Their annual dance, Santa Stomp, and Easter lily and Christmas wreath sales helped increase the club's finances.

A group of charitable girls having fun is CTA. The girls took orphans begging on Halloween, contributed to the Torch Fund, and made scrapbooks for an orphanage. At Christmas the girls gave a food basket to a needy family. Socially they enjoyed a hayride, Mothers' Day tea and the annual dinner dance.

CTA - ROW 1 - Nancy Beier, charity; Sharon Byers, chaplain; Penny Pierce, recording secretary; Paula Struck, president; Chris Lewis, vice president; Connie Shroyer, corresponding secretary; Nancy Maxwell, treasurer. ROW 2 - Carol Decker, Hely Heldenstein, Sue Polhemus, Chris Carlson, Barb Shank, Barb Nunneley, Carol Donaldson, Patsy Sullivan. ROW 3 - Judy Sundstrom, Peggy Nothoff, Ruth Ann Huffman, Ann Makemson, Marcia McFarland, Nancy Savage, Mary Goss, Dawne Karnes. ROW 4 - Sue Smith, Kay Mabley, Sharon Breedlove, Annette LeMessurier, Jan LeMessurier, Carol Green, Midge Taup, Rachael Rice, Pat Henny. NOT IN PICTURE: Lee Carkner.

Charity, fun and interclub sports benefit all members

TIARA - ROW 1 - Jane Adams, historian; Carol Drinkard, charity; Virginia Backus, recording secretary; Jean Spencer, vice president; Mary Burkman, president; Brenda Gross, treasurer; Mary Ojala, corresponding secretary; Alison Woodhouse, parliamentarian. ROW 2 - Marsha Keys, Sue Bollinger, Jan Mc Allister, Judy Krempa, Nancy Gish, Judy Guest, Hely Heldenstein, Sue De Nador, Barbara Williams, Sue Booker. ROW 3 - Karen Wilson, Alice Sawyer, Karen Purnell, Barb Taylor, Barb Parker, Isabel Macdonald, Carol Williams, Penny King, Nancy Stewart, Judy Gray. ROW 4 - Martha Bielby, Lynn Sutherland, Mary Mudd, Patricia Fuller, Judy Goldstein, Myrna Moxley, Judy Walker, Joanne Cross, Virginia Horner. ROW 5 - Virginia Naylon, Patricia Dennison, Julie Hoover, Mary Ellen Groves, Sue Hard, Heidi Bader, Sue Fletcher, Jane Cunningham. NOT IN PICTURE: Sue Burkhart, Joan Duncan.

Tiara Club received money for the annual dance, Coronation Ball, from a football concession, hanger selling and returning empty pop bottles. Cancer pads, Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets, and party favors for an orphanage were the charity program. The girls also gave a mothers' tea, dads' picnic, and a date dinner to complete the social activities.

FHS activities for this past year included Christmas caroling with CTA at an old people's home, assisting a needy family and generously contributing to the Torch Fund. Among its social activities were a weekend skiing party, joint meetings with other social clubs and participating in the interclub sports program.

FHS - ROW 1 - George Miller, sports; Jerry Rennell, recording secretary; Dick Miller, vice president; Jeff Life, president; Fred Finkenauer, treasurer; Pete Brink, corresponding secretary. ROW 2 - Tom Pritchett, Warren Sumner, Dick Cloonan, Roger Barrett, Fred Wickham, Jim Trusell, historian. ROW 3 - Brad Mack, Les Harber, Jim Walls, John Hutchinson, Jim McGuire, Dennis Byers. ROW 4 - Ran Hamner, Jim Bain, Larry Nickel, Fred Nicholas, Dick Boyd, Frank McGinnis. ROW 5 - Steve Hunter, Jack Palmer, Bill McFarlen. NOT IN PICTURE: Dick Hubbard, sergeant-at-arms; Dave Cook, deacon.

This year we achieve our goal, a well rounded program

DJFR - ROW 1 - Bob Peckheiser, historian; Ron Sandberg, treasurer; John Bonds, recording secretary; Tom McDaniel, vice president; Mike Conroy, president; Art Chantler, corresponding secretary; Steve Pew, chaplain; Ted Murray, interclub council. ROW 2 - Bill Bell, Bob Lewis, Jim Nothoff, Gordon Fox, Dick Bielby, Jon DeHaan, Dennis Conlan, John Archer, Errol Brisendine. ROW 3 - Dave Pew, Ed Busch, Roy Severs, John Duncan, Buzz Corsaut, Jeff Dettlinger, Tony Evangelista, Stuart Gray, Bob Kipp, Tom Gillingham. ROW 4 - Don Andreae, Jim Peters, Richard Riley, Bob Benson, Tom Bechtel, Dale Burrows, Mike Nordstrom, Dick Carlson, Bill Buick. ROW 5 - Fred Bleakley, John Gardner, Tomaz da Fonseca, Robert Isbell, Ron Jackson, Pete Ritchie, Lawrence Hower, Chuck Gibson.

With charity as a main goal, Club DJFR contributed to the Torch Drive and aided the foreign exchange student fund. A successful bake sale and the annual Drumstick Ball were two of the Club's financial projects. The Club enjoyed interclub football, hockey, and baseball. Future plans include date parties, painting an orphanage, the annual Yacht Party, and the goal of a well-rounded program combining social functions with charitable activities.

Club KST gave donations to the United Foundation, and Care and was the first social club to have a faculty adviser. KSTs built a football concession stand and changed hell week during pledging to help week. Date and skating parties were also an important part of the year's activities.

KST - ROW 1 - Howie Davis, corresponding secretary; Jim Kraus, recording secretary; Dave Muhlitner, vice president; Jim Yeomans, president; Greg Ruddy, pledge master; Stu Frankford, treasurer; Howard Willett, historian. ROW 2 - Bill Lawson, Mike Harper, Bill Meyer, Dave Berry, Karl Pierce, Leo Vigi. ROW 3 - John Hyde, Ted Schaefer, Phil Andreae, Lyn Birchard, Bob Parker, Ronnie Russek, Dave McFawn. ROW 4 - John Wrobel, Dave Eldridge, Ron Cornila, Bruce McDonald, Bill Masters, Dick Ayers, Gary Johnson, Mike Hogan. ROW 5 - Paul Hogan, Dave Rider, Jeff Boucher, John Dixon, Paul Avesian, Gene Apple, Dick Mashaw. ROW 6 - Pete Palmer, Bob Lovell, Bill Bushnell, Bob Taylor, Phil Russell, Pete Jackson.

Holiday spirit is everywhere

The spirit of Christmas is an indefinable thing that shows itself in a multitude of ways.

Brisk winter winds noticeable to all on the way to school give the first hint of the approaching holiday season. Talk becomes suddenly animated and filled with joy and some secrecy.

Here at school are constant reminders. Sounds of familiar carols sung by students in French and Spanish echo through the halls. Bulletin boards express creative talents, displaying the traditional signs of Yuletide. The majestic tree in the lobby is laden with lights, tinsel, ornaments; and gifts are spread beneath it.

The joyous holiday parties increase; vacation trips are eagerly anticipated; greeting cards are sent out, and gifts are selected, wrapped and hidden from feelers, pokers and shakers.

Wallets become flatter and purses lighten, but hearts are happy in generous contributions to the George Miller fund and the Hungarian relief. And dozens of Salvation Army food baskets are amply filled with complete Christmas dinners.

As holidays approach Marilyn Bratton and Nancy Maxwell deck our halls with boughs of holly. The whole school takes on a festive air in keeping with gay Christmas bulbs and scented firs. Under Sarah Hogan's able supervision, Congress brings expressions of the Christmas spirit even to the bookstore.

A necessary part of the Yuletide season is the traditional Christmas tree. Jim Bain, Jim Fry, and Steve Hunter found a sure way of earning Washington trip money by selling trees. A few weeks before Christmas, they went up north, chopped down 225 spruces and balsams, and set up business in a rented lot.

When the Christmas tree is set up by students each year in the lobby and trimmed with shiny ornaments, sparkling tinsel, and colored bulbs, it is always a glowing symbol of thanks for God's great Gift to the world and of praise to the everlasting love of Christ for all. Marilyn Davis, D'Arline DeJongh, Barb Bond and Tom Sprung eagerly trim the huge tree.

LIBRARY STAFF - ROW 1 - Joan Trouteaud, Penny Pellow, Gail Patrick, Margaret Powell, Phyllis Frasure, secretary; Sandra Wichman, Kathryn Fox. ROW 2 - Karen Alpers, Marilyn Clark, Dave Carlisle, Earl Brown, Linda Burkman, Ann Buchanan, Judith Boyer. ROW 3 - Frank Forshew, Ken Kornbacher, Don Wright, Roger Strong.

We welcome new students, staff the library efficiently

The main purpose of the library staff is to run our library efficiently. Each hour members are assigned to the circulation desk to check books in and out, collect money from overdue books, shelve books, and perform many other duties throughout the year.

Cicerone was organized as the Newcomers' Club when the new building was opened but has served a dual purpose since. Upon enrolling, a new student is given a Big Brother or Sister to make him feel at home. Our welcoming party is given annually to acquaint the newcomers with our school and its activities. Conducting tours and ushering for school events also occupy the members' time.

CICERONE - ROW 1 - Warren Risk, Paula Struck, Judy Austin, Mary Haldane, Sharon Jones, Miss Price, Bryant Hilliard, vice president, treasurer; Sue Polhemus, president; Judy Klapproth, secretary; Jeff Life, George Miller, Fred Finkenauer, Clarke Andreae. ROW 2 - Carol Drinkard, Bev Ford, Carol Donaldson, Nancy Olsen, Judy Krempa, Susie Hindle, Sue Little, Susan Sutherland, Barb Hobart, Sue Ketchum, Carol Williams, Martha Cox, Judy Hardin. ROW 3 - Kay Mabley, Ginny Huntoon, Barb Struck, Judy Winchell, Carol Bain, Sue Tabor, Carol Green, Nancy Beier, Marcia McFarland, Jan Lynch, Lynne Cloonan, Kathi Brosenne, Abby Sweeney. ROW 4 - Judy von Rosen, Jon De Haan, Don Thalacker, Jeff Ott, Barbara Brian, Mary Anne Curtis, Jane Adams, Mary Burkman, Sally Hanson, Sarah Hogan, Liz Thomson, Linda Kohlohf, Janet Kegel. ROW 5 - D'Arline De Jongh, Julie Hoover, Mary Slater, Betty Nichols, Alison Woodhouse, Carol Weston, Judy Dodrill, Rebecca Wagner, Jean Spencer, Mike Patterson, Mariann Ulrich, Judy Gray, Jim Trusell, Dick Hubbard. ROW 6 - Ann Spoelstra, Frank Wilson, Steve Hunter, Jim Bain, Bill Brown, Gaer Guerber, Jim Scribner, Kem Hogan, Dave Parnie, Harry Altick, David Lindley, Ray Wilkinson, Tom Mc Daniel.

We are the juniors

"Look forward, juniors!" We marched forward, 400 strong, in Field Day. Our prize - winning float led the way and inspired us to perfection. Even the egg - throwers helped, winning first places for us in that event. Though we did a good job, it wasn't quite good enough to beat the seniors. So now we have that Forward Look to next year.

Homeroom A202 - Mr. Delvero. ROW 1 - Betty Haffner, Jackie Vaughan, Carole Drouillard, Lorna Moore, Sue Lamble, Marilyn Gelmine. ROW 2 - Myrna Schoenberg, Barbara Nunneley, Jean Schmuck, Jim Whaley, Diane Halpin, Ginny Palubin, Ann Rice. ROW 3 - Ron Cornila, Gerry Hermann, Brennis Friess, Jim Basford, Marvin Smith, Gael Sissen, Bill Smallman. ROW 4 - Pete Jackson, Chuck Gibson, Bob Stephenson, Phil Ingraham. NOT IN PICTURE: Pete Beeman, Nicholas Bodor, Toni Burch, Ann Hartkopf, Bill Pope, Katherine Zabriskie.

Homeroom A113 - Mrs. Hartwick. ROW 1 - Jackie Koski, Birdie Hailey, Jill Purdy, Janet Fay, Gerry Barber, Doris Greve. ROW 2 - Jeannie Andrus, Lucy Mc Brian, Mary Ellen Bleakley, Ricky Sevald, Gail Gayda, Kathleen Mc Gowan, Dave Muhlitner. ROW 3 - Pat Henny, Bob Engelhardt, Diana Doering, Linda Robeson, Linda Stone, Bob Beardsley, Bill Lawson. ROW 4 - Ronald Riesz, D'Arline De Jongh, Karl Pierce, Fred Nicholas, Dick Boyd. ROW 5 - Don Andreae, Harold Chappell, Len Willis. NOT IN PICTURE: Dick Cloonan, Judy Klapproth, Tom Leupen.

At Christmas time, the junior class officers sent a Christmas greeting to each member of the class. Sore fingers and sticky tongues were a common occurrence when Bob Benson, Julie Hoover, Pete Brink, Punch LeMessurier, Carol Bain, and Kay Mabley signed and addressed 500 cards!

Homeroom A200 - Miss Holloway - ROW 1 - Onilee Grimsby, Sue deNador, Richard Bragaw, Sharon Bell, Penny King, Joan Pierce. ROW 2 - Marcia Mc Farland, Jan Hitchcock, Joyce Rose, Jan Lynch, Gayle Norris, Joan Bartell. ROW 3 - Robert Clark, Jerry Nowak, John Honhart, Dan Schrock, Jim Mc Donald, Warren Risk. ROW 4 - Betsy Carroll, Lavern Walker, Philip Strong, Dick Taylor, John Story, Howie Davis, Ron Youngdahl. NOT IN PICTURE: Bob Hampson, Ed Kramb, Penny Reading.

Paper fills treasury

Our class street dance was the kickoff for our paper drive. Admission was one bundle of newspapers - and even sophomores and seniors donated bundles just to join in the fun! During the next two weeks we scoured the town for newspapers and magazines and earned over 400 dollars. Our first junior money - making project carried us forward fast.

Homeroom A203 - Mr. Bostwick. ROW 1 - Barbara Hobart, John Rutledge, Judy Koback, Kathy De Nio, Ann Garrison. ROW 2 - Margaret Scussel, Nancy Yates, Madelyn Roberts, Pat Hogan, Sharon Breedlove, Dave Parish, Dave Falconer, Jeannie Abbott. ROW 3 - Sue Fletcher, Joanne Lorcke, John Duncan, William Gilbert, Louise Cataldo, Bill Haas. ROW 4 - Stewart Loud, Lee Tout, Alan Carpenter, Paul Turner, Bob Benson, Rich Ward. ROW 5 - Jim Scribner, Marv Wilson, Larry Montgomery. NOT IN PICTURE: Bob Polidan, Geoffrey Rappaport, Don Rickelman.

Homeroom A119 - Mr. Buell. ROW 1 - Barbara Williams, Gay Graser, Peggy Sheldon, Judy Austin, Stephen Weiner, Marjane Speicher, Gail Patrick. ROW 2 - Bruce Mc Donald, Dorothy Rodgers, George Kinna, Penny Pellow, John Holliday, Mike Mc Carthy. ROW 3 - Jim Sechrist, Ed Risdon, Bill Cartwright, John Speicher, John Love, Bill Bishop. ROW 4 - John Gardner, Bob Paullette, Ron Dwire. NOT IN PICTURE: Teresa Camp, Bill Richardson, Carol Ann Ryan, Douglas Stuart, Carol Thurman, Kathy Voss.

"Now, Mr. Richards, don't tell us you're not giving any Christmas presents this year!" High pressure sales artists Carol Thurman, Warren Risk, Pete Brink, Joan Vinton and Kent Cardell break down a junior adviser's sales resistance and unload another order for gay and gold paper to earn tickets to the outing and J-Hop and money for the treasury.

Homeroom A118 - Mrs. Cortright. ROW 1 - Carol McKnight, Carol Williams, Chris Carlson, Barbara Cueny, Carol Sandelman, Abby Sweeney, Janet Morris. ROW 2 - Joanne Robinson, Dave Kukar, Warren Sumner, Jim Stevenson, Ray Hudson, Janet Hershberger. ROW 3 - Larry Semann, Dave Eldridge, Bill Landis, Geoffrey Burkhart, Spencer Perry, Dick Ayers. ROW 4 - Dave Ritchie, Jon Schmidt, Jerry Nagle. NOT IN PICTURE: Jack Bottler, Lee Freel, Sandra Heflin, Larry Methner, Sandra Nelles, Robert Sperling, David Randolph.

For Juniors J-Hop

For the Christmas season, gifts all over Birmingham were wrapped in jaunty Santa or sophisticated gold holiday paper. The juniors, looking forward to the J-Hop, sold gay Christmas wrappings. After a hectic month of record - keeping, Pete Brink, chairman, announced that 2,000 dollars had been accumulated for the treasury. And the class was even more firmly united by this project.

Homeoom B100 - Mr. Ambrose. ROW 1 - Barbara Parker, Carol Donaldson, Sue Bollinger, Ann Cope, Sally Satterthwaite, Carol Lamble, Joan Duncan, Sue Chrysler. ROW 2 - Bill Pratt, Chris Kennedy, Joan Vinton, Carol Moody, Judy Scotti, Sharron Egan, Janet Brooks, John Shreves. ROW 3 - Tom Bechtel, Don Booth, Earl Brown, Jack Lackner, John Hinken, Dave Paige, Dave Lowrie. NOT IN PICTURE: Jeff Crawford, Linda Dinsmore, Dorothy Dreyer, Janet Kegel, John Roberson.

Homeroom C100 - Mr. Battenhouse. ROW 1 - Mary Ellen Corby, Marianne Sinclair, Gayle Rettray, Gail Weckesser, Cynthia Christine, Nancy Heavenrich, Linda Chapman. ROW 2 - Calla Reasoner, Connie Gordon, Judie Burns, Nancy Layman, Ronald Menig, Peggy Nothoff, Pat Fuller. ROW 3 - Steve May, Daryl Dunn, Gary Johnson, Pete Green, Jim Pass, Wayne King, Cathy Melnichuk. ROW 4 - Frank Mc Ginnis, Robert Guyer, Ford Kamin. NOT IN PICTURE: Marilyn Rubly.

As always, with the junior year comes another J-Hop, and with it loads of hard work. A cardboard box comes in handy when there is need for a scale model of the gym. Engineering decorating plans are Jan Lynch, Gerry Barber, Connie Gordon, Pete Brink, Don Andreae and Jon De Haan.

Homeroom A116 - Miss Bernecker. ROW 1 - Sandra Muir, Judy Kalmbach, James Addison, Georgiene Close, Marilyn Cook. ROW 2 - Susan Boynton, Nancy Proctor, Linda Bliss, Penny Greer, Judy Potts, Lynda Corkery, Mary Roberts. ROW 3 - Barbara Hays, Lee Carkner, Julie A'Hearn, Marilyn Welch, Sue Rogers, Dottie Grissom, Linda Neal. ROW 4 - Don Pearson, Bob Dudley, Dick Johnston, Dave Rider, Chuck Sarlund, Keith Frantz, Jon Dady. NOT IN PICTURE: Mike Arnold, Sally Bates, Sibyl Hampton, Charles Hendricks, Guy Jenkinson, James Mc Guire, Barbara Shank.

Junior Forward Look

Heading our class in the junior year are Bob Benson, president; Carol Bain, vice president; Julie Hoover, secretary; Pete Brink, treasurer; Punch Le Messurier and Kay Mabley, senators. Although they spent hours working on class projects and planning future activities, these capable officers still found time to send personal Christmas cards to every member of the class. Their outstanding leadership helped the juniors to move forward.

Homeroom A106 - Mrs. Ransom. ROW 1 - Gerry Barinoff, Joann Purmort, Mary Heavenrich, Sandy Trathen, Corky Kalocsay, Sarah Blunt. ROW 2 - Sue Van Hook, Francie Harris, Nancy Savage, Julie Magnuson, Darlene Johnson, Tam Badenoch. ROW 3 - Howard Clark, Dale Dunlop, Buzz Corsaut, Jean Burnham, Elizabeth Gillen, Jim Duffield, Jon Byers. ROW 4 - Beckie Wood, Mary Slater, Jack Palmer, Walt Kraimer, Betty Nichols. NOT IN PICTURE: Marilyn Embury, Ann Fortune, Roger Melke, Gerald Offer, Clifford Rice, Karen Rosenquist.

Homeroom 206 - Mr. Richards. ROW 1 - Nicky Parsons, Carla Foster, Sharon Benn, Sue Rippingille, Joyce Meyer, Chris Hall. ROW 2 - Buzz Fegley, Marianne Hornacek, Ruth Ann Huffman, Jan Le Messurier, Kay Mabley, Lynn Sutherland. ROW 3 - Mark Reid, Pat Ruhly, Sally Streby, Dick Bouchard, Anne Alexander, Robert Yingling. ROW 4 - Ross Roy, Gene Apple, Bill O'Toole, Andy Brodhun, Bruce Richards. ROW 5 - Danny Davison, Don Sexton, Ronnie Morrow, Kent Cardell. NOT IN PICTURE: Judy Brierley, Pete Brink, Judy Callens, Pat Morris, Gary Simancek, Mary Alice Thurber.

"The Forward Look" is put together by eager, industrious juniors Karol Bell, George Bouse, Doreen Conley, Lynne Mac Cracken, Geoffrey Berno and Sue Rowe as the class prepares to go out after that brass - bound cider barrel.

Homeroom A109 - Mrs. Rodal. ROW 1 - Janice Green, Joan Marsh, Sally Ann Pope, Nancy Stewart, Betty Counts, Nancy Cummings. ROW 2 - Sue Purvis, Diana Stokes, Mary Ellen Jones, Sue Brundage, Karen Price, Bob Esterline. ROW 3 - Dave Chalk, Paul Jones, Richard Riley, Carl Reynolds, John Cooper, Larry Nickel. ROW 4 - Julie Hoover, Barry Ludwig, Mike Power, George Staudt. NOT IN PICTURE: Barbara Bond, Richard Greenhaw, Ran Hamner, Greta Hohman, Jim Mac Donald, Shirley Swigart, Michael Day.

captures float prize

The juniors set us all "Drifting and Dreaming" at the J-Hop. After a hectic day of decorating, the gym was magically transformed into a romantic cruise ship. The tropical atmosphere combined with exotic music to make the J-Hop another of the best ever. Months of planning and hard work resulted in a dance that was a fitting climax to a great year.

Homeroom E107 - Mr. Petrakis. ROW 1 - Jane Hudson, Jenifer Schwarz, Lenora Aldred, Margo Jarrard, Sue Riddell, Jill Royle. ROW 2 - Sue Benscoter, Judy Flynn, Keppy Patton, Beverly Nimeth, Nancy Doherty, Mary Haldane, Linda Hoddick. ROW 3 - Tom Fontaine, Linda Norton, Lois Bernitt, Nancy Bridenstine, Steve Surridge, Bob Wood. ROW 4 - Richard Gray, Colin Stewart, Tom Gillingham, Ray Wilkinson, Harvey Sellner. ROW 5 - Pete Paisley, Dan Roosevelt, Bob Tracy. NOT IN PICTURE: Dave Fett, Karen Keene, Linda Life, Fred Moore, Tom Watson.

Homeroom C101 - Mr. Scrimgeour. Pixie Yingling, Mary Lynn Muma, Rosemary Jafano, Peggy Bensinger, Ilene Dorey, Carole Clements. ROW 2 - Rachel Rice, Sue Roseberry, Marsha Keys, Les Stevens, Susan Schlachter, Carol Green. ROW 3 - Bill Hays, Annette Le Messurier, Jon De Haan, Tom Rutledge, Jim Trusell, Larry Burke. ROW 4 - Tom Baldwin, Sue Hard, Howard Flint, Tom Chope, Dale Baldwin, Sue Hard, Howard Flint ,Tom Chope, Dale Simons, Brad Mack, Tom Connell. NOT IN PICTURE: Pat Foster, Marianne Picmann, John Wrobel.

Homeroom E105 - Mr. Sweeney. ROW 1 - Arleen Butka, Patricia Doyle, Emily Tucker, Mary Leach, Claryn Mortimer, Dawne Karnes. ROW 2 - Jim Westbury, Lynn Issette, Sandy Beaudoin, Marilyn Garwood, Gay Birchard, Joyce Francis, Sue Smith. ROW 3 - Lin Harrison, Marilyn Van Schoick, Gayle Pacult, Sam Moray, Linda Greenwalt, Pamela Parkins, Sue Conway. ROW 4 - Lisbeth Reed, Carol Decker, Pete Sintz, Christian Matthesius, Gaer Guerber, Gene Donovan, Bob Hewitt, Bob Munz. dent; Julie Hoover, secretary; Pete Brink, Parker, Greg Ruddy, Ronnie Russek.

Homeroom A114 - Miss Young. ROW 1 - Nancy Hagen, Beth Grix, Doreen Conley, Barbara Sinclair, Karol Bell, Martha Koskinen. ROW 2 - Jim Mc Guire, Linda Henning, Bill Mc Nabb, Monte Pepperell, Midge Taup, Judy Sundstrom, Bobbie Wood. ROW 3 - Jeffrey Berno, Sharon Carpenter, Joyce Schrage, Karen Koenig, Susan Rowe, Fred Pulve, Roger Marce. ROW 4 - Jim Varnum, Larry Schmit, Mike Sommer, Howdy Willett, George Bouse, Dick Stinson, Dan Nagelvoort, Milford Fuller. NOT IN PICTURE: Margaret Kern, Lynne Mac Cracken, Janet Murphy.

Sophs' candy sale

We were at the bottom of the heap again this year as far as ages go, but we went to the top in achievements. We were 17 homerooms strong - if there's anything in numbers - and we put our large class size to good use. "Never a dull moment" was our motto, and we lived up to it!

Homeroom A111 - Miss Allen. ROW 1 - Cherry Kinnison, Margaret Bird, Don Ritter, Ted Mordaunt, Bruce Laidlaw, Carol Rouse. ROW 2 - Ann Robinson, Helen Cudini, James Knotts, Linda Burkman, Gail Symons, Sally Haines, Ann Smith, Deanna Derr. ROW 3 - Jim Hastings, John Hyde, John Zierer, Mariann Ulrich, Mary Hawley, Gretchen Ruhl, Phil de Beaubien, Bob Lovell. ROW 4 - Cameron Shafer, Steve Taylor, Rebecca Wagner, Tom Beuthien, Jeff Boucher, Larry Sarten, Duane Bixby. ROW 5 - Dave Pew, Bob Gertz, Colin Grant - Watters, Bill Bushnell.

Homeroom A115 - Mr. Clayton. ROW 1 - Sue Mc Guire, Sharon Reinbold, Anne Graham, Catherine Allen, Julie Schmidt, Duane Van Geison. ROW 2 - Marie Borchert, Kathy Mc Sweeney, Pam Swift, Linda Olson, Jean Caldwell, Lisa Bodor. ROW 3 - Karen Stinson, George Bristol, James Dunlop, Janet Heideman, Beth Collins, Dennis Sidorski. ROW 4 - Rick La Macchio, Bill Shaffer, Nancy Mellott, John Hutchinson, Sheldon Metz, Gary Johnson. ROW 5 - Gerald Haines, Richard Bidigare, Bud Fix, Ron Buchanan, John Alic, Wally Ross, Michael Madeleine, Bill Muenchinger. NOT IN PICTURE: Harold Frye, Marcia Kempf, Earl Roberts.

Homeroom A104 - Mr. Cooch. ROW 1 - Maryann Kyte, Jean Stinson, Linda Patton, Sharon Etter, Dana Vass, Nancy Kemp. ROW 2 - Karel Mc Curry, Pat Hovey, Sandra Mavis, Cindy Fitzpatrick, Sandy Reaume, Joan Scafuri. ROW 3 - Lynn Reese, Barbara Bolier, Drew Novak, George Ransford, Sharon Harrie, Jewel Ofenstein. ROW 4 - Fred Wickham, Kenneth Sahlin, Bill Alcorn, Jim Tomanek, Tracy Acklin, Ken Madaras, Jerry Fracassi. ROW 5 - Terry O'Connor, Roger Kissam, Marc Whims, Bob Squires, Bill Montgomery, Dave Berry, Bill Ross. NOT IN PICTURE: Julie Beechler, Mike Purton, Jim Guenther.

Leading the sophomore class through a very successful year with such big projects as the mammoth candy sale, variety show, Field Day and soph outing were class officers chosen near the end of the freshman year: Bob Taylor, president; Jeff Boucher, treasurer; Sandy Walker, secretary; Carol Weston, vice president; Jim Lewis, senator; Bob Kipp, senator.

nets $2500 profit

The first big goal of the sophomores was Field Day. With a clever theme, they took first place in cheering, led by four Siamese cats. The parade pace of the sophs was a trifle slow, but the smart '59ers were just conserving energy for the cheering. Although they didn't win Field Day this year, the sophs stored up valuable experience and the will to win next year.

Homeroom A100 - Miss Ferguson. ROW 1 - Paul Van Every, Janice Anderson, Sandy Voss, Ellen Schmink, Sandra Holmes, Art Erickson. ROW 2 - Anne Hughes, Sandy Cornell, Gwen Fett, Judith Boyer, Linda Lackey, Diane Dawson. ROW 3 - Judy Rader, Mary Volz, Tom Schafer, Marvin Natzke, Nancy Rock, Pat Langley. ROW 4 - James Cappell, Bernd Winkelmann, Ray Lyons, Jim Griffin, Paul Norland, Barbara Miller. ROW 5 - Ed Busch, Fred Hibberlin, Paul Zimmerman, Bill Premo, Phil Russell, Ray Shull, Bill Buick. NOT IN PICTURE: Tom Ellis, Zonyia Lassiter, Sharon Pavelka.

Homeroom E103 - Mr. Hubbard. ROW 1 - Phil Andreae, Nancy Combs, Julie Borgman, Sally Napier, Carol Trzos, Les Harber. ROW 2 - Lynne Scherer, Dolores Neubeck, Virginia Huntoon, Linda Heiserman, Deann Kenjoski, Darbea Groves, Virginia Harrison, Laura Szymke. ROW 3 - Martins Gibbings, Jean Ranchard, Mary Emery, Tim Tindall, Judy Winehell, Sandra Dunne, Lynn Birchard. ROW 4 - Gary Wilbur, Karen Altsmanberger, Pat Lucas, Jon Budd, Mark Hall, Ron Hunter. ROW 5 - Jim Noonan, Gary Madison, Steve Landis. NOT IN PICTURE: Paul Becker, Sue Elliott, Robert Mahrle, Mike Murphy.

Homeroom A103 - Mrs. Hopkins. ROW 1 - Dick Gillespie, Lou Ann Miller, Jan Roberts, Toni Stilson, Dee Erwin, Denton Newland. ROW 2 - Ben Bambard, Kara Apsey, Mary Cork, Judy Eastburn, Barb Krueger, Hester Black. ROW 3 - Dennis Conlan, Jimmy Trohanov, Roxie Rundle, Jane Terry, Mary Bird. ROW 4 - Pat Bannon, Dennis Bates, Richard Africano, Ada Wells, Tony Hammer, Joe Craig. ROW 5 - Dave Smith, Jack Mitchell, Terry Kabat. NOT IN PICTURE: Tom Batzloff, Toni Campbell, Chuck Erlandson, Tom Sawyer, Linda Taylor, Pete Walker, Tom Yoha, Sandy Lacey.

"Candy, candy everywhere, and not a piece to eat!" This is how hurrying sophomores felt many, many times during the day when they unloaded trucks and sorted thousands of pounds of candy into homeroom allotments and then into individual orders for distribution to hundreds of purchasers all over Birmingham, Franklin, Beverly and Bloomfield Hills. Jim Lewis looks up receipts while Dave Carlisle and Jack Matthias sort boxes into one - and two - pound classes.

Soph cheer champs

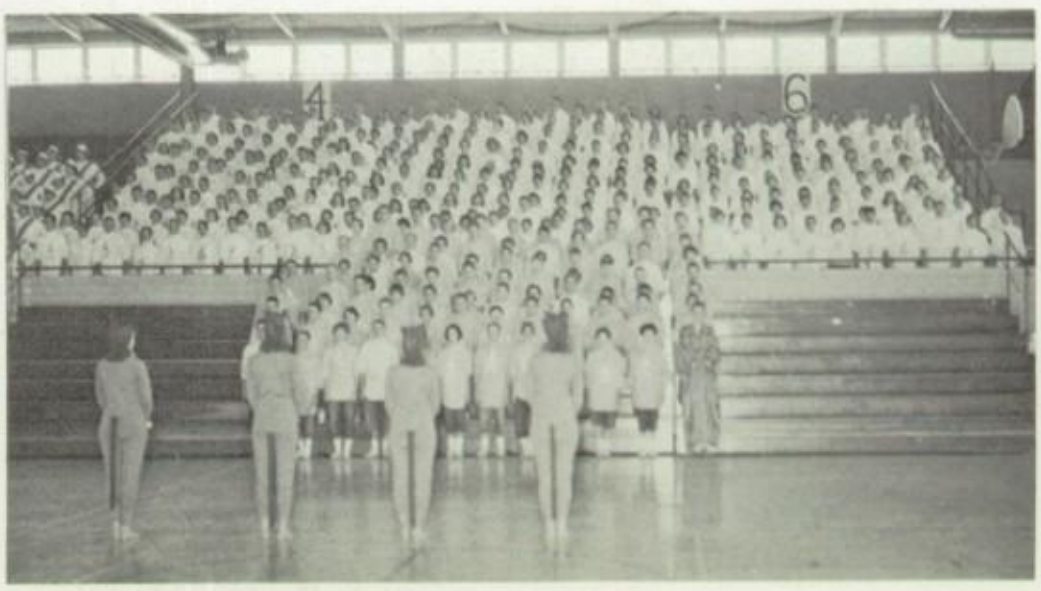
We did not work just for ourselves, however. Though our steps were measured and slow in our Field Day march, our contributions to the Torch Drive came in fast and in large amounts. We gave more than our quota in homerooms and bought our share of items in the auction assembly. The result was that the sophs raised the most money of all for a good cause.

Homeroom B103 - Miss Johnson. Vaughn Bishop, Steve Hunt, Judy Dickinson, Stephen Thorson, Donna Cavell, Joann Davies. ROW 2 - Sandra Dishman, Deanna Lukianoff, Sue Hughes, Diane Ryan, Joy French, Bonnie Bates, Jan Cadwell. ROW 3 - Dan Dandrea, Beverly Close, Carol Holland, Larry Kelly, Charles Basford, Margo Mensing, Fraser Cocks, Rob Janes. ROW 4 - Larry Hoffstetter, Mike Hogan, John Howell, Frank Baglin, Tom Brown, Jeff Atkinson. ROW 5 - Ken Kornbacher, Ron Oliver, Arnold Smith. NOT IN PICTURE: Fred Buesser, George Close, Dave Coryell, Gail Mc Intosh, Robert Parker, Peter Parkinson.

Homeroom A102 - Mrs. Ladd. ROW 1 - Sandra Wichman, Ann Soltis, Deb Hutchings, Diane Richardson, Dinah Greenleaf, Diane Kennedy. ROW 2 - Barbara Balis, Bonnie Bramblett, Dave Mc Laughlin, Barbara Henderson, Barbara Falconer, Margaret Roberts, Christine Offer. ROW 3 - Edward Nickel, Betty Carrier, Sandy Steimlosk, Joe Savino, Carol Weston, Mary Mc Kee, Jim Stern. ROW 4 - Gerald Blanton, Jim Walls, Herb Snellings, Frank Edman, Juliuse Harrison, Paul Avesian. ROW 5 - Mike Tivy, Jim Schultz, Steve Margrove. NOT IN PICTURE: Jim Krall, Judy Miller, Ruby Parker, Donald Wright, George Randolph.

High into the air in practice for their class talent show bounce Bob Taylor and Bob Parker. The assembly theme was based on the 12 months of the year. Bob and Bob and Jeff Boucher performed difficult trampoline stunts for their Halloween act.

The Royal Sophomores, nearly 600 strong, wait in unbroken silence for the signal to be seated. Their unity and volume when giving their cheers make the big gym echo and re-echo and bring the class a winner's crown for this point - getting activity.



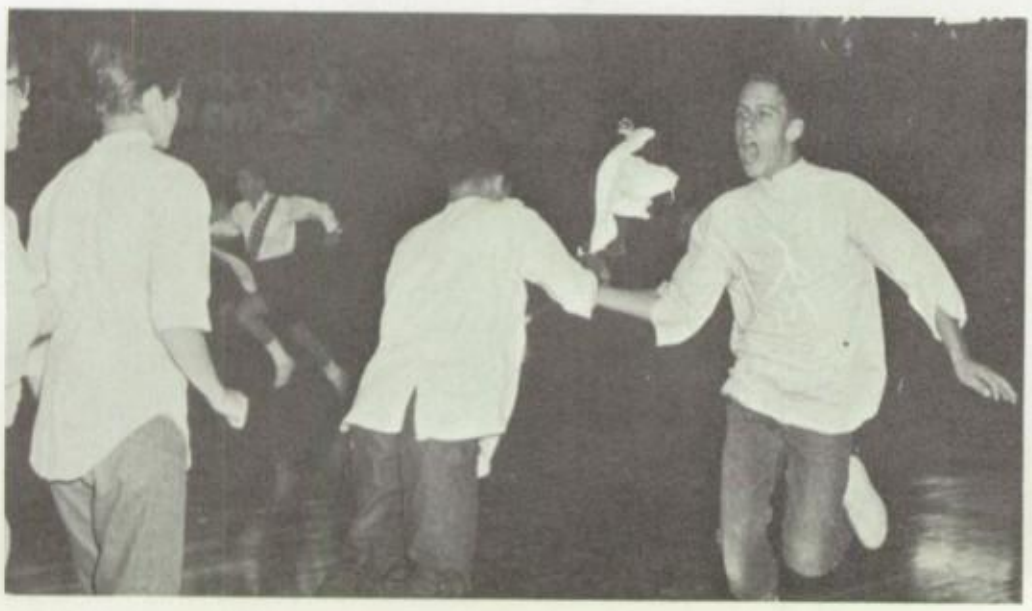
lead class chanters

With characteristic zest and enthusiasm, the sophomores undertook their next project, the sale of Christmas candy. Their doorbell - ringing and pavement - pounding salesmen didn't rest until they had brought in thousands of dollars for thousands of boxes of candy. In the end, the treasury had been fattened 2500 dollars worth.

Homeroom A208 - Mr. Myers. ROW 1 - Anne Lawrence, Jean Cartwright, Mary Ann Varblow, Joan Rasmussen, Michael Greer, Ann Millington. ROW 2 - Alice Robinson, Joan Counsell, Lynn Thompson, Judy Radtke, Carol Houghton, Betty Butler, Linda Mc Master. ROW 3 - Harry Nimmo, Gordon Strong, Michael Barcy, Sue Grissom, Penny Ball, Marilyn Bratton, Bob Kipp. ROW 4 - John Meade, Caryl Powell, Bill Masters, Virginia Irwin, John Falberg, Carol Rodgers, Pete Washburne. ROW 5 - Robert Straith, Bob Taylor, Dave Calver. NOT IN PICTURE: Les Danielson, Terry Mirabito.

Homeroom C102 - Miss Paslay. ROW 1 - Judy Stock, Sue Little, Judy Marucco, Tam Bock, Nancy Petrak, Joan Trouteaud, Yvonne Dexter. ROW 2 - Sandy Walker, Sharon Homberger, Mike Rich, Sharon Gibson, Nick Hrlic, Guy Brown, Mary Ellen Janis. ROW 3 - Barbara Hansen, John Baldwin, Chuck Melusky, Michael Deller, Carolyn Bishop, Diane Gofrank. ROW 4 - Robert Martin, Harold Dittrich, Chuck Holloway, John Shelley, Larry Wittrup, Ed Pacult. NOT IN PICTURE: Sue Clark, Mike Kinney, Kathe Koenig, Mike Mc Donald, Estella Quick, Steve Radom, Dan Tate.

Homeroom A120 - Mrs. Richards. ROW 1 - Karin Kesler, Ann Weddell, Larry Rubly, Beverly Allum, Elaine McNab, Ruth Ann Helmrich. ROW 2 - Michal Forster, Carole Tarsney, John Baker, Ann Brda, Tom Sprung, Kay Graber. ROW 3 - Judy Seager, Colleen Sharako, Sue Cooper, Bob Innes, Shirley Renshaw, Sally Hunt, Kathleen Brosenne. ROW 4 - Dick Lee, Stan Madison, Tom Needels, John La Palme, George Holden, Tom Mc Kenzie. ROW 5 - Paull Walker, Curt Ashcraft, Pete Palmer, Michael Cyran, Steve Hall, Steve Bugbee. NOT IN PICTURE: Bob Krohmer, Margaret Paige, Susan Reutter, Martin Laurimore.



Sophomore Dave Calver's yell, "Go! Run! Run!" was lost in the thunderous cheers of the 1400 spectators as he passed his precious red and white flag to a relay teammate. Although later disqualified, the hustling sophs can remember running a fast and furious race.

Sophs display talent

With our treasury well - padded and everything running smoothly again, we bestirred ourselves to get busy on our soph assembly. It was to be a big variety show. The months of the year never looked so good to us. There was everything, including Easter bunnies and St. Patrick's Day.

Homeroom C110 - Mr. Sloat. ROW 1 - Kathryn Fox, Gordon Fox, Carol Davis, Beth Burroughs. ROW 2 - Nancy Muir, Jane St. Aubin, Judy Isaacson, Nancy Todd, Kathy Mallinson, Susan Howell. ROW 3 - Marc Oberschulte, Tom Kershner, Carla Rudell, Roger Barrett. ROW 4 - Larry Brisky, Ken Quick, Paul Camp. NOT IN PICTURE: Diane Hodge, Dave Sturgess.

Homeroom A207 - Mr. Stroko. ROW 1 - Pat Ackerman, Jane Nicholson, Terry Gardner, Nancy Sampson, Jane Torrence, Marilyn Clark, Margaret Powell. ROW 2 - Sharon Jones, Mike Meinzinger, Nancy Brundage, Erik Erickson, Judy Hall, Diane Longeway, Gail Mathews. ROW 3 - Sharon Martin, Jim Loudon, Ken Maurer, Phil Grennan, Jack Spencer, Ann Fulton. ROW 4 - Patrick Devine, Jim Adrean, Jack Werner, Bill Suliot, Dave Keyser. NOT IN PICTURE: John Bondie, Bill Cheer, Rosemary Fella, Susan Hulbert, Barbara Jones, Mary Lester, Dave Mc Fawn, Kaye Stigleman.

Homeroom A110 - Mrs. Swart. ROW 1 - Mary Haines, Marcia Pivar, Manila Roberts, Edward Schwimmer, Karen Clark, Mary Anne Croteau. ROW 2 - Evie Crouch, Jean Tiedman, Kathie Farrell, Dick Bielby, Carolyn Batty, Beth Cumming, Karen Maddren. ROW 3 - Sharon Middleton, Linda Janke, Grace Wyatt, Jim Nothoff, Jim Lewis, Mike Brandt, Larry Martin, Carolyn Roosevelt. ROW 4 - Tom Pritchett, John Meeks, Joe Schlesinger, Ed Phelps, Nancy Forsman, Dave Carlisle, Dave Orr. ROW 5 - Bob Haskett, Frank Forshew, Jack Matthias, Martin Weinrich, Jeff Dettlinger. NOT IN PICTURE: Joanne Brown, Judy Frost, Stella Kukavica, Rosiland Latham.

Here at last! Twenty-five hundred dollars' worth of candy sold! Sophomore boys begin a huge job of distribution. Boxes were delivered to homerooms and from there to the many who bought candy. The project, the heaviest and biggest ever put over by BHS, was a real success. Fun of outings and a fabulous 1958 J-Hop were secure for the hard-working wise fools.

in variety assembly

Sophomores look forward to two more great years in athletics. This year six outstanding sophs were promoted to the varsity football squad. Our reserve basketball five also foresees two more successful years. The cross country, track, and swimming teams were greatly aided in their championship seasons by soph talent. Then we went on to lead the honor roll consistently and to furnish able and interested members to Student Congress. We had the Maple Spirit all year!

Homeroom A205 - Mr. Taras. ROW 1 - Carol Hanifan, Mary Anne Norris, Helen Mange, William Green, Julie Rasmussen, Helen Lamont. ROW 2 - Karen Barnes, Marilyn Holmquist, Sue Bearss, Bonnie Graham, Judy Moodt, Barbara Struck, Joyce Vandervelde, Ann Buchanan. ROW 3 - John Akerley, Carolyn Chappell, Barbara Wallace, Bill Mc Kinley, Ann Lindow, Barbara Sayle, Bill Brown; ROW 4 - Neal Talbot, Tom Hogan, Chris Uppleger, Glenn Orr, George Didier, Bill Witheridge. ROW 5 - Elliott Kimberly, Bob Guenther, Jim Reilly. NOT IN PICTURE: Michael Hines, Kaye Johnson, Paulette Mc Reynolds, Jacqueline Pugh, John Watson.

Homeroom A117 - Mr. Tarrant. ROW 1 - Judy Rolph, Sandy Ferguson, Nancy Hosken, Diane Barber, Julie Guest, Jill Morton. ROW 2 - Mike Harper, Bob Lewis, Becky Wilds, Sharon Brodie, Linda Matthews, Mimi Pilditch, William Stark. ROW 3 - Stephen Shrader, Chuck Freese, Judie Cowman, Dianne Thurston, Jan Coyle, Lynne Mc Williams, Doug Booth. ROW 4 - John Kaszubowski, Carole La Marre, Deanna Jachimowicz, Jim Peters, Calmia Clark, Jack Pricer. ROW 5 - John Matonican, Ken Barker, Fred Davis. NOT IN PICTURE: Jan Bordinat, Bob Opitz, Nancy Mills.

Homeroom C103 - Miss Will. ROW 1 - Pat Hopkins, Sue Stout, Karen Walker, Joanne Jewell, Patricia Moriarty, Anne Parish. ROW 2 - Bill Meyer, Diane Howard, Betsy Giles, Lynne Cloonan, Elizabeth Schaule, Carol Marcks, Geraldine Harris. ROW 3 - Gordon Mac Cleery, Harry Klimushyn, Bob Groat, Elizabeth Weber, Howard Benway, Phil Brown, Lee Cowhey. ROW 4 - Phil Clohsett, Lee Roberts, John Dixon, Leslie Crabb, Clark Hudson; ROW 5 - Tom Levely, Norman Shovan, Ross Akerley. NOT IN PICTURE: Peggy Bruce, Sally Long, William Rapp, Frank Tatomir.

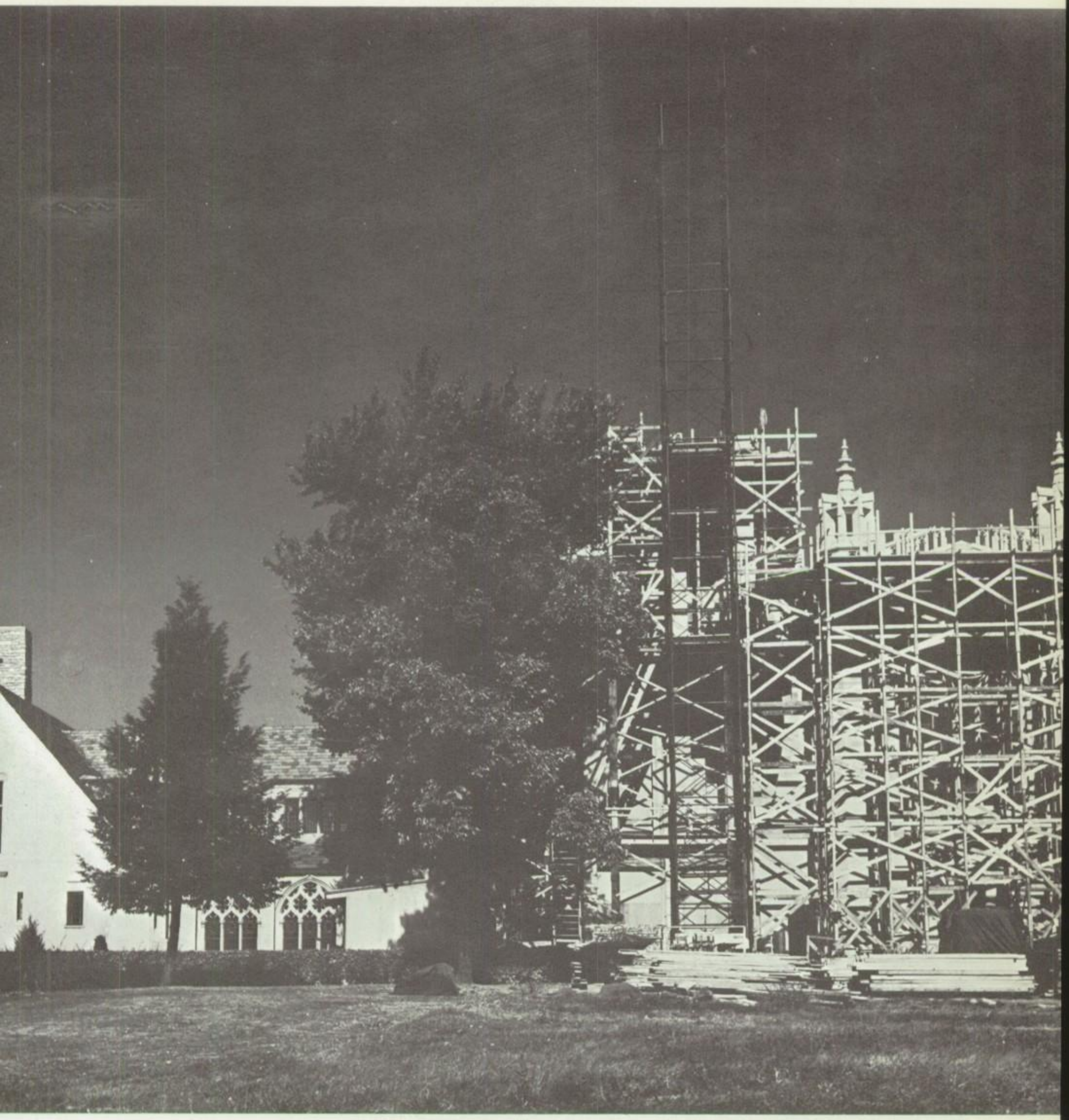
The talent-loaded sophomores gave a good account of themselves in the all school variety show. Sandy Walker, Beth Burroughs, Sharon Jones, Jean Caldwell, Anne Lawrence, Ann Robinson, Gail MacIntosh, Judy Marruco, and Linda Janke, dressed like sleepyheads, serenaded their teddy bears before hopping off to bed.

Strong faith strengthens character

Our faith is strengthened and renewed each Sunday in a worship service. As in most high schools, religion plays an important role in every student's life. The numerous youth organizations in Birmingham are proof of our interest.

A large number of high school students are active in service to their churches. This experience will prove very valuable in future years. Personal and spiritual satisfaction stems from the time and effort spent on projects and in quiet meditation.

Although Holy Name church is a comparatively new one, the young people have already organized a Newman Club in which they work together on projects and social activities. Their church is one of the most beautiful in Birmingham, a city of lovely churches. Abby and Tom Sweeney kneel in reverence at the magnificent altar.



Activities promote service

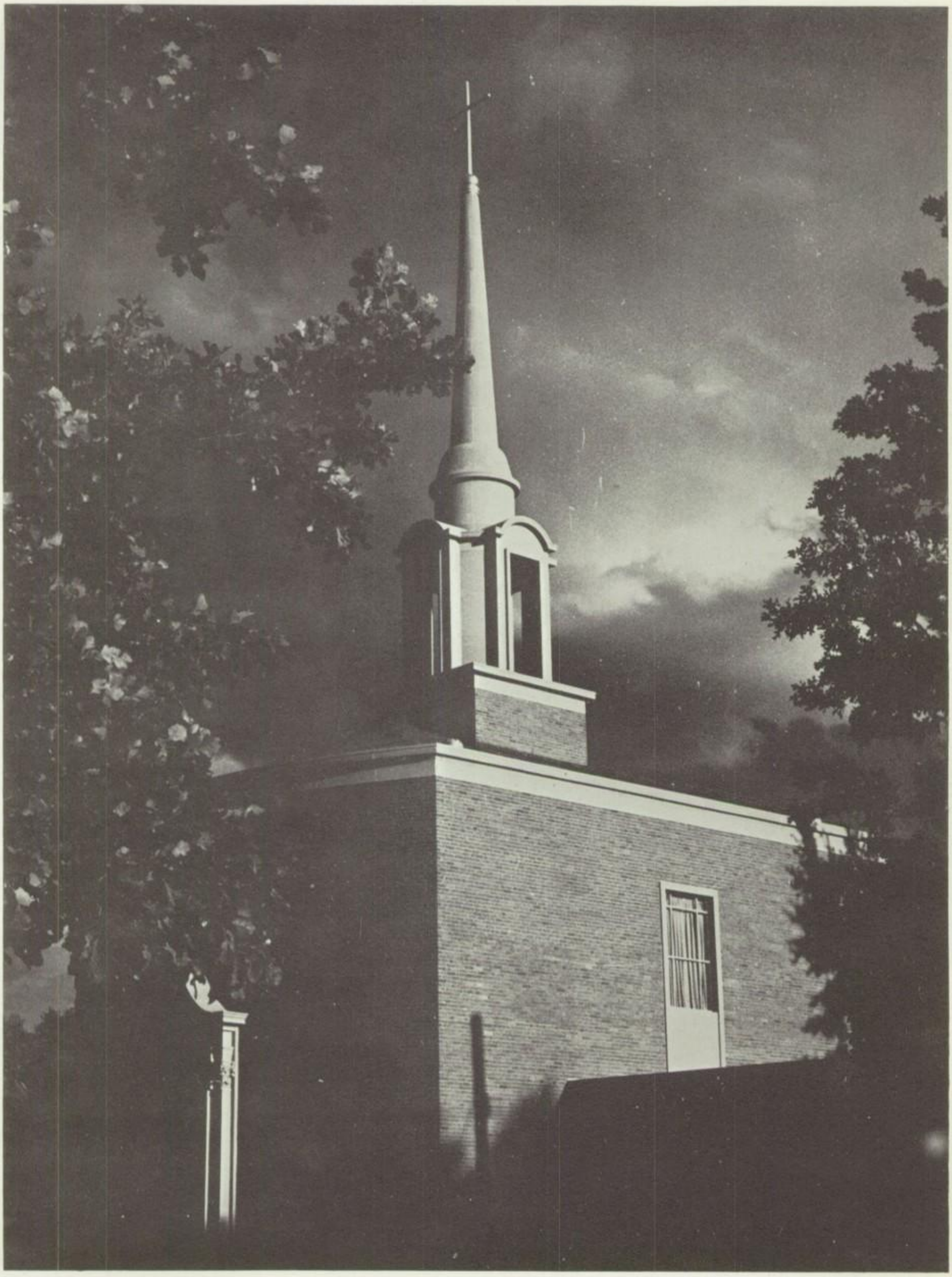
Worshipping in church or synagogue gives one a feeling of inner peace and happiness. The solemn strains of the organ, the stirring voices of the choir, the powerful quality of prayer blend in a refreshing and inspiring experience.

Worship is not just lip service but is part of our daily lives. Many high school students participate in church activities, such as singing in choir, teaching Sunday school, and taking part in youth groups. Charity workers carry on not only during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, but throughout the year. Such activities create enthusiasm, interest, and an understanding of the true meaning of religion - the giving of oneself.

Weekly attendance at church services leaves one spiritually refreshed and ready to face the problems of everyday living. Opening its doors to everyone, the church offers a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. This beautiful white spire is the meeting place of hundreds of parishioners each Sunday.

Everyone likes to sing, and participating in a church choir brings a feeling of enjoyment to all concerned. Much time and work are involved; but there is fun, too. The St. James choir is among the many church activities in Birmingham.

ROW 1 - Jan LeMessurier, Gwen Williams, Grace Saefke, Prindle Anders, Margot Tanner; ROW 2 - Natalie Gingell, Punch LeMessurier, Katherine Zabriskie, and Dave Calver.



Franklin Community Church

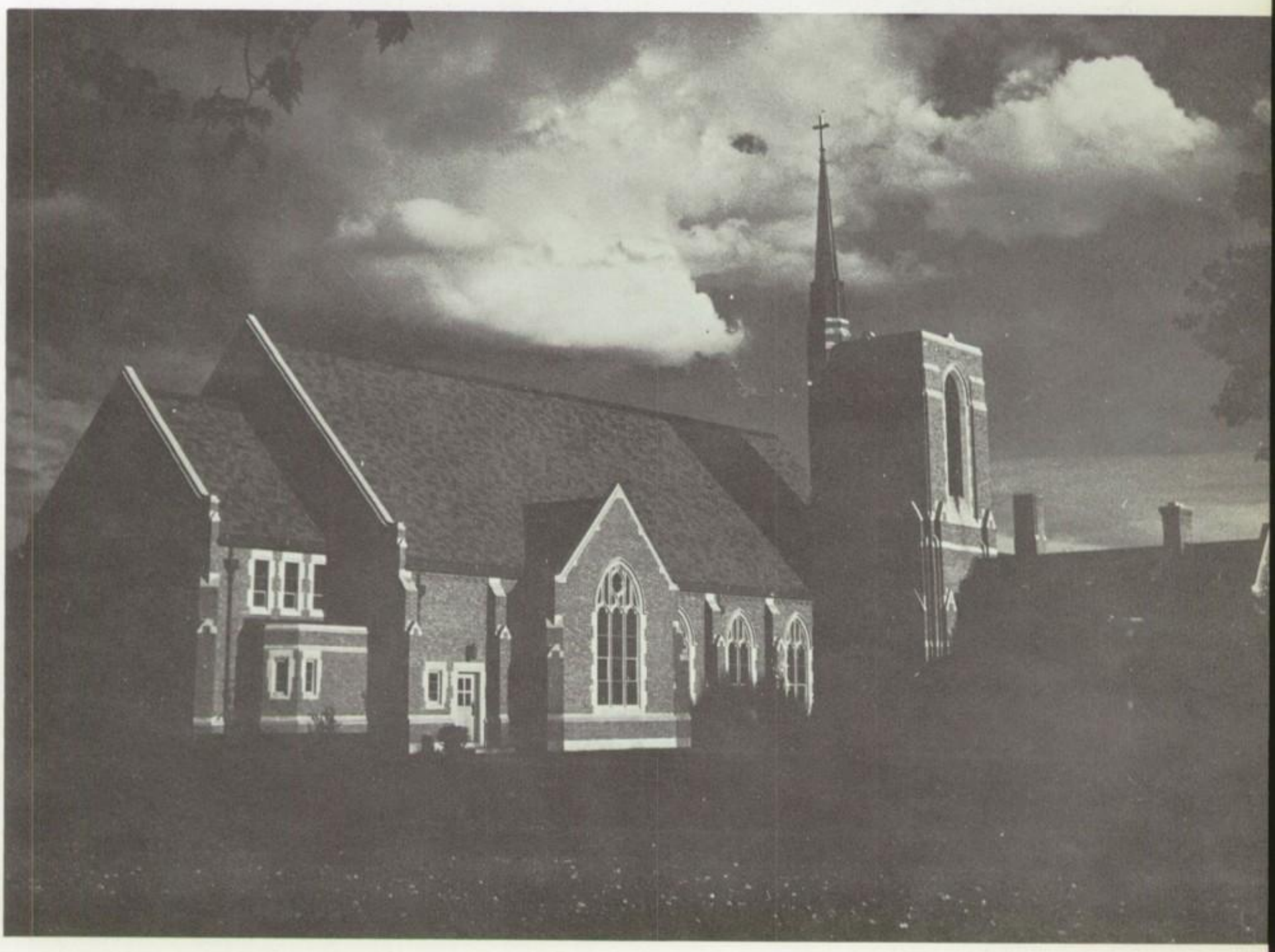
Students enjoy projects

Retreats, hayrides, skating parties, dinners, and dances are sponsored by the youth groups. There is also a basketball league in which teams representing various churches compete. In these activities high school students can get together and experience the true meaning of friendship.

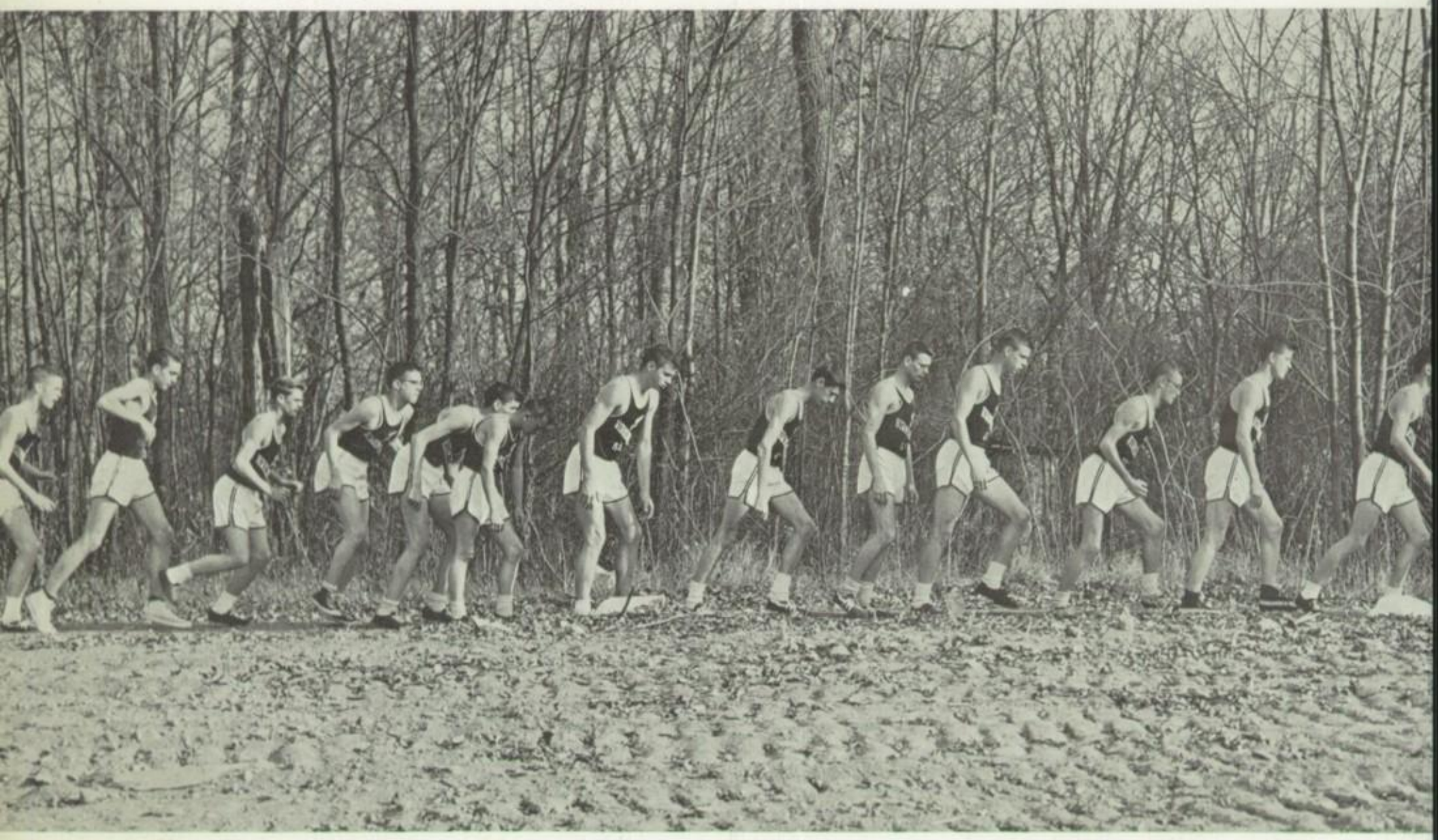
Besides the fun, there is always work connected with church projects. Variety shows and some money-making programs require diligent work, but the reward of successful activity makes all the effort worth while.

Getting sleeping bags, suitcases, and all sorts of bags and boxes squeezed into the trunk and back seat of the car so that they can be off on a Congregational church retreat are John Kerley, Nancy Hagen, Sue Cooper, and Steve Taylor.

The Methodist church is a source of spiritual help and social recreation for many high school students. The church sponsors a youth group, the Methodist Youth Fellowship, which does much worthwhile work. A new feature this year is an early sunrise service for the young people of the church.

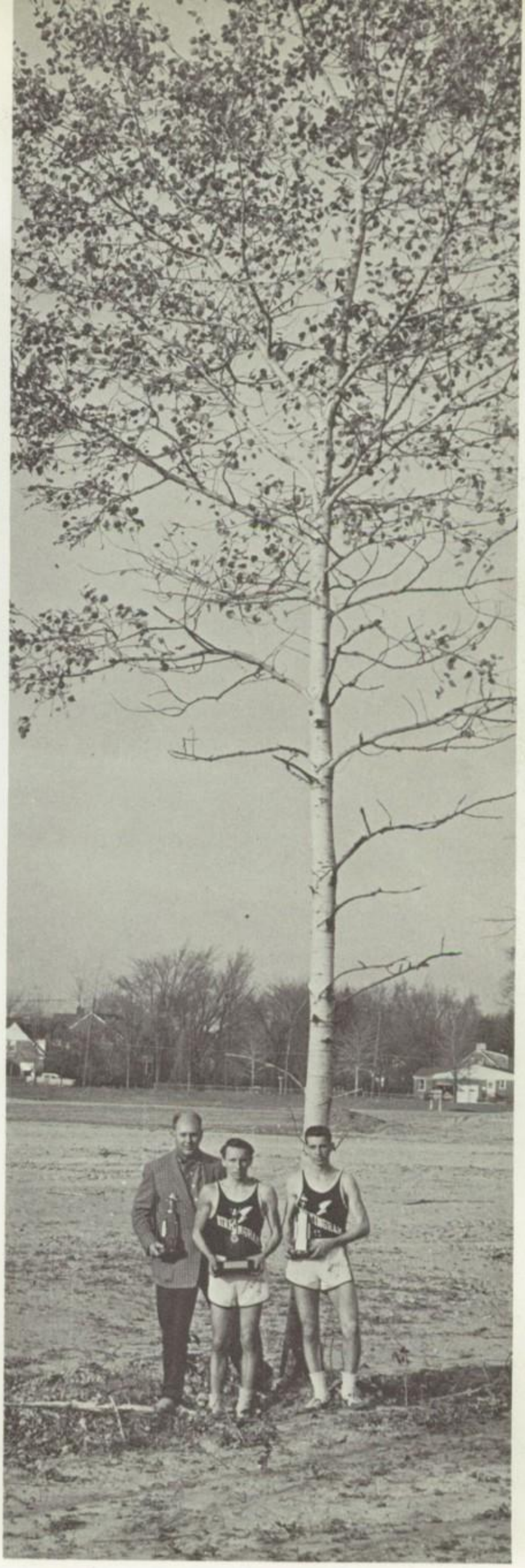


That's the Maple Spirit !



In League

An old toast says, "Our teams! In their contests with other schools, may they always win! But win, lose or draw, Our Teams!" And that's the Maple spirit! Athletics are a most important activity here. We are lucky to have an excellent plant. Our football stadium is among the best in the state; the same goes for our magnificent gymnasium. With the completion of the new swimming pool and track, with the exception of tennis, our athletic plant will be complete. We do not always have successful seasons, but we do support our teams. That's only in keeping with the Maple spirit.



Maple cross country team earns trio of championships

Beginning the season with tremendous team spirit and will to win, the big cross country squad proved one of the toughest in the state, finishing with an undefeated record. Team morale continued high, and the hustling Maples wound up with the dual run, the Eastern Michigan League, and the regional championships.

In their first meet the harriers beat Thurston 15-44, with Lynn Benn showing the way. Next they took on their perennially toughest foe, Walled Lake, and won the closest meet of the season 22-37, following up with League opponent Mt. Clemens, beaten 16-47, and neighboring Berkley 40-57.

The Maples expected and got tough competition from Pontiac, defending state champions, but emerged victors 23-38, to inflict the Chiefs' first loss in four years. Hazel Park fell 15-49 and Mt. Clemens 15-50, giving the Maples a perfect score.

The Maples took the League title for the fourth consecutive year, besting Port Huron, Hazel Park and Mt. Clemens. In the Regionals, Birmingham led the 15 schools with 66 points, followed by Pontiac with 79. The team then placed fifth in a rugged state run.

With strong reserves, able Coach Ambrose, and a fighting spirit, the '57 team should have little to worry about.

The Birmingham High School Cross Country Team-1956
ROW 1—J. Westbury, Fraser Cocks; ROW 2—S. Thorson, T. Thorson, D. Boyd, Co-captain T. Fontaine, Co-captain L. Benn, B. Benson, R. Riley, B. Stark; ROW 3— B. Kulow, J. Mitchell, G. Schack, P. Ingraham, Coach Kermit Ambrose, S. Hunter, B. Landis, W. Risk, A. Carpenter; ROW 4—H. Sellner, T. Brown, D. Pew, B. McFarlen, F. Hibberlin, D. Bidigare, J. Stark; ROW 5—J. Rutledge, B. Groat, T. Hogan, M. Weinrich, B. Ludwig, J. Pass, E. Schwimmer. Not in picture: K. Gertz.

Wins regional, dual, League crowns

THE 1956 SEASON RECORD

Birmingham	Opponent	Opponent's Score
15	Thurston	44
22	Walled Lake	37
16	Mt. Clemens	47
40-35*	Berkley	57
23	Pontiac	38
15	Hazel Park	49
15**	Mt. Clemens	50

(Low score wins)

*Birmingham ran two teams. **Perfect score

THE MAPLE VARSITY HARRIERS

ROW 1—R. Riley, B. Benson, L. Benn, T. Fontaine, D. Boyd, B. Landis; ROW 2—G. Schack, P. Ingraham, Coach Ambrose, S. Hunter, T. Thorson.

Captains Tom Fontaine and Lynn Benn

Green Maples experience mediocre season

Carl Lemle
Head Coach

Lew Parry
Ass't Coach

Stepping into the shoes of a champion is always a tough job. Though they were defending Eastern Michigan League champions, it looked like a bottom-of-the-clock year for the Maples with 18 departed lettermen, and only five returning veterans.

After laboring under a hot August sun, the Maples undertook the task of producing a successful season under Coach Carl Lemle. September 21 and the first game found the Maples ready at Southfield. But disappointment awaited them, Southfield grinding out a 21-0 victory. The first half of it looked as if the Maples had it made; but in the second, greenness told and the Maples lost.

The team improved steadily, but unfortunately so did the opponents. Inexperience overcome, the team went on to a mediocre season of four wins and five loses. As usual, the Maples inherited some new talent. Mike Nordstrom, from Royal Oak, led the team in scoring with seven touchdowns. From distant Portugal came soccer player Tom da Fonseca. Quickly recognized for his place - kicking ability, Tom split the uprights twice against Berkley to give the Maples a tight 14-7 win and the only conversion points scored this season.

Invaluable experience was gained by sophomores and juniors. With seven returning lettermen, the Maples are entitled to hope for better things next year.

ROW 1—J. Duncan, C. Stewart, P. Palmer, B. Lovell, P. Camp, F. Buesser, J. Ott; ROW 2—D. Burrows, D. Miller, S. Pew, B. Isbell, M. Nordstrom, J. Fry, C. Janes, G. Miller, J. Rennell, T. Evangelista; ROW 3—L. Parry, coach; B. Yogus, R. Hamner, B. Stephenson, J. Palmer, J. Foerster, C. Gibson, D. Ritchie, D. Muhlitner, C. Lemle, coach; ROW 4—D. Henderson, R. Sandberg, D. Sokol, P. Ritchie, H. Chappell, B. Guyer, T. da Fonseca, T. Watson, R. Wilkinson, B. Booz; ROW 5—J. Reid, mgr., D. Keier, mgr., C. Orlando, G. Guerber, T. Chope, H. Flint, S. Madison, J. Howell, mgr., J. Schlesinger, mgr.

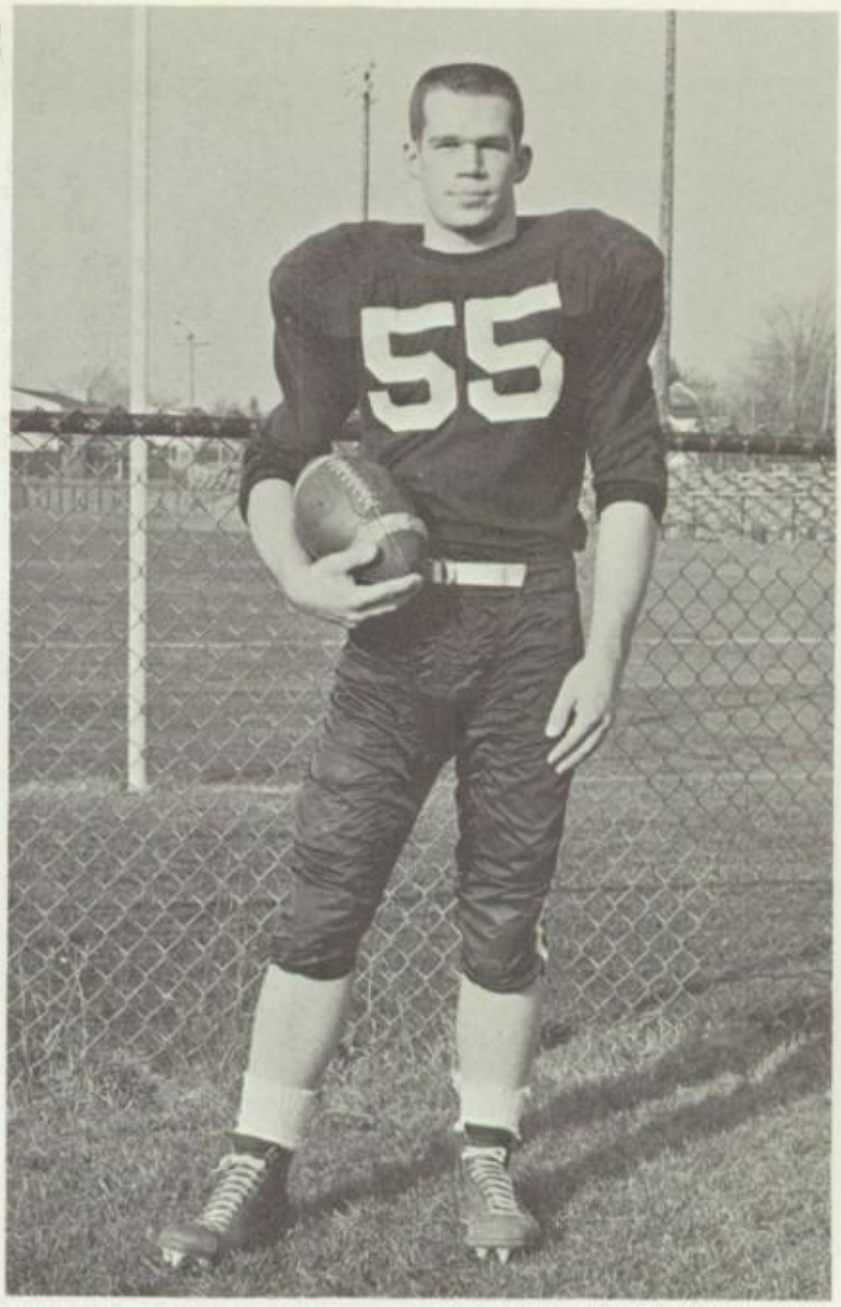
Team improves game by game

THE 1956 SEASON RECORD

Birmingham	Opponent	Opponent's Score
0	Southfield	21
24	Cranbrook	13
12	Mt. Clemens	6
6	Ferndale	12
14	Hazel Park	13
6	East Detroit	28
0	Port Huron	28
14	Berkley	7
0	Royal Oak	19

Leading the Maple gridders this year was Captain Jim Fry. A sharp tackler on defense and a good blocker on offense, Jim's hard play was an inspiration to his team. Fryer's workmanlike job earned him a place on the Oakland County Class A all-star team. Jim was also the only lineman to score a touchdown this year. His coaches testify to the excellence of his leadership as captain.

It's a bright sunny September day and the first encounter for the Maples, 1956 edition. But there's no sunshine in their hearts, for Southfield is registering its first triumph over a Birmingham team - and soundly, too, 21-0. Identifiable are Bill Yogus, Lew Parry, coach; Tom Carson, coach; Steve Pew, Roger Hawkins, Gaer Guerber, Phil Russell, Tom Chope, Tom da Fonseca, Paul Camp, Jack Douglass, Bob Stephenson, Larry Hower, Harold Chappell, Bob Booz, Jeff Ott, and Mr. Whitney.



Captain Jim Fry

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Series finale action-packed

When the final whistle blew ending the 1956 Turkey Day game, with it ended the state's oldest football rivalry, a series dating back to the early 1890's. The Oaks rolled to a 19 - 0 victory over a heart broken Birmingham team.

The story is studded with dates and memorable for thrills. Schoolboys of the two cities arranged their own games for some 20 years. Then in 1913 scheduled relations began. In 1915 a second game was played on Thanksgiving Day.

In 1924 the Jug became the trophy for which the teams contended. Of the 43 scheduled games, the Acorns won 22, the Maples 14, and six were ties. In only three years were games omitted, due to overenthusiasm of both schools.

As in the final act of a good play, one finds himself sorry to near the end. The Acorn - Maple rivalry was a long, honorable and loved one. Both schools and their alumni will miss these games, the spirit they generated, the wonderful Homecoming they afforded.

Maple fullback Jeff Ott (22) drives for that extra yard after being hit by Acorn Roger Pollock (33).

Jim Sierons (15) Oak fullback, is stopped after a short gain by snow-frosted Maple backs George Miller (25) and Mike Nordstrom (27). In on the play are Gary Mitchell (31) Frank Sturgell (8) of Royal Oak, and Steve Pew (57) and Jim Sechrist (49) Birmingham.

Snow fell intermittently throughout the game, but failed to hamper the Acorns.

A panorama of Turkey Day action shows big Jim Sierons (15) stopped short by Maple George Miller (25). Other Maples moving in to halt action are Steve Pew (57) Dave Muhlitner (21) Jim Fry (55) and Chuck Gibson (52). Acorns in there are Rich Hill (38) and Pete Noga (24).

Reserves have good season

The Maple varsity understudies finished a quite successful season with a three - won, one - lost and one - tied record, and learned a lot of football that earned many of them promotion to the varsity after the close of the reserve season.

Reserve football is regarded with favor by the athletic department, not only because it acts as a feeder for the varsity team but also because it gives many more boys a chance to play. The seconds carry only sophomores and juniors.

With the Maple varsity losing heavily via graduation, the reserves, with their fighting spirit and will to win, show plenty of promise of filling in the gaps in the ranks.

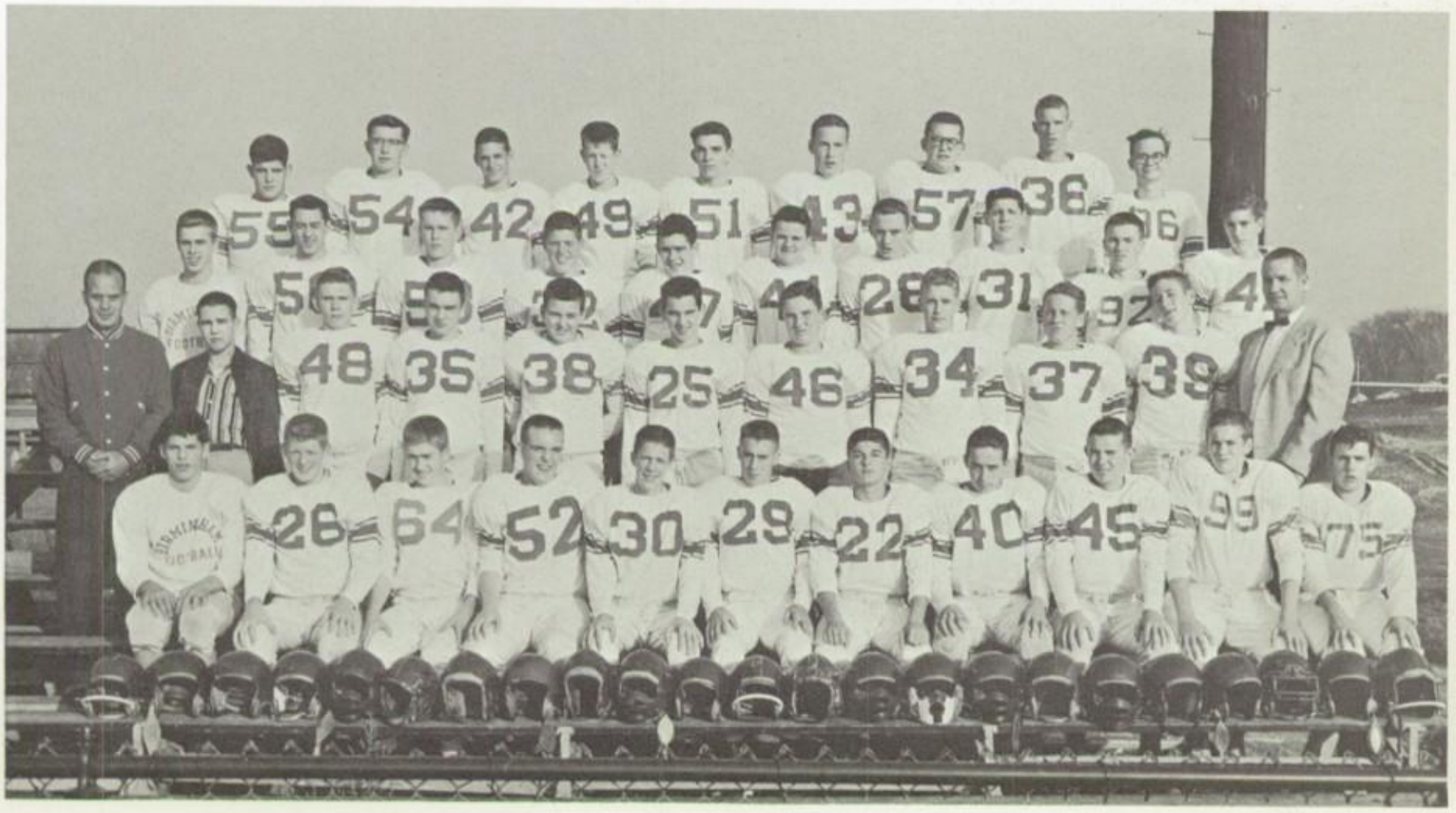
THE 1956 SEASON RECORD

Birmingham	Opponent	Opponent's	Score
19	Mt. Clemens	14	
6	Ferndale	6	
28	Hazel Park	6	
7	East Detroit	13	
19	Port Huron	7	

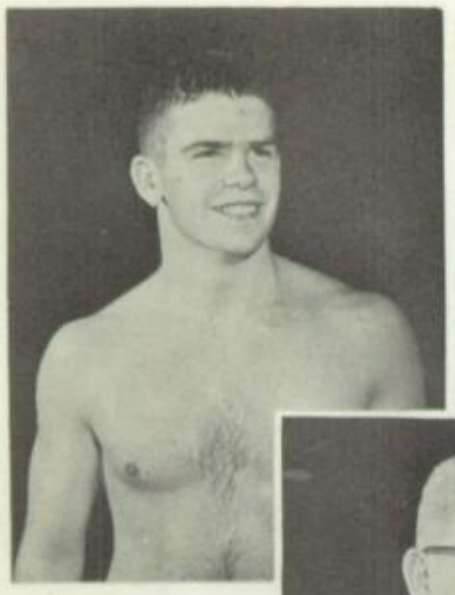
ROW 1—M. Tivy, B. Haskett, J. Atkinson, D. Berry, K. Maurer, M. Hall, H. Klimushyn, M. Brandt, B. Innes, P. Chloset, T. Sprung; ROW 2—S. Tassio, coach; J. Baker, mgr.; L. Danielson, D. Booth, J. Meeks, T. Beuthien, M. Hines, R. Kissam, T. Shafer, J. Griffin, T. Carson, coach; ROW 3—P. Zimmerman, P. Palmer, P. Russell, B. Lovell, F. Buesser, N. Shovan, B. Guenther, K. Barker, S. Bugby, R. Oliver; ROW 4—J. Duncan, J. Pricer, E. Busch, J. Meed, S. Madison, T. Levely, W. Ross, B. Gertz, E. Pacult.

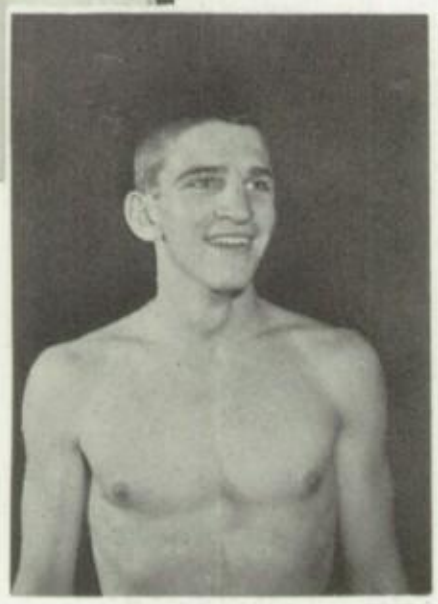
Tom Carson
Reserve coach

Sam Tassio
Assistant



Maple tankers display their strength in





Captain Tom Bechtel

Coach J. Jay Myers

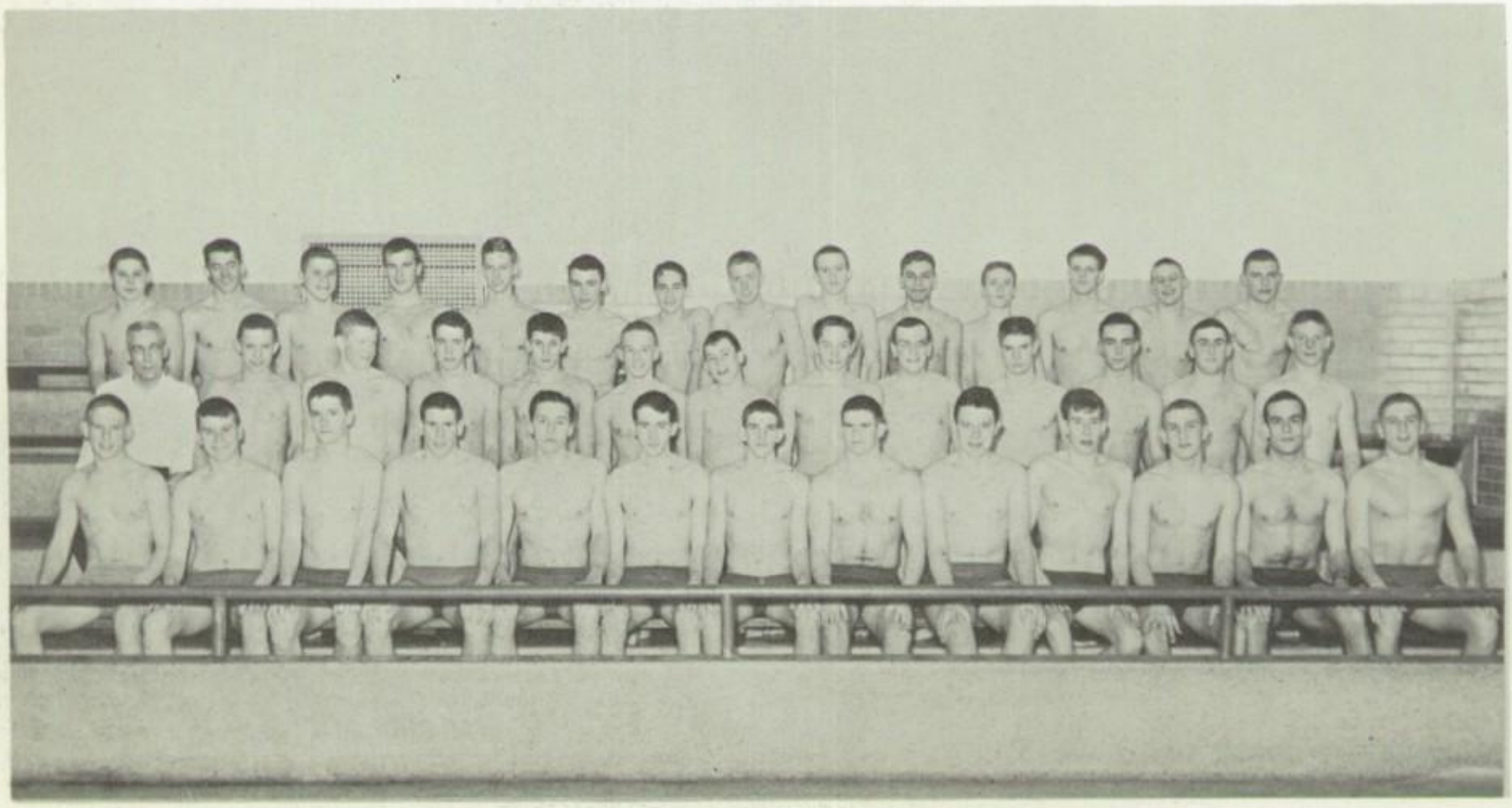
Captain Dave Cook

Boosting the dual meet total to an 80 - 16 record, Coach J. Jay Myers brought his team to its ninth straight Eastern Michigan League title. Coach Myers is helping his teams to become better known throughout the state. Proof of his ability is this year's young team's sixth place in the Class A State meet. He has and deserves the respect of all who work with him or meet him with his warm smile and sincerity.

The team elected Tom Bechtel and Dave Cook co-captains this year. Tom is the first junior ever to be chosen captain. He was on the All American medley relay team last year and a double winner at the State meet this year in the 400 and 200 yard freestyle events. His time of two minutes flat in the 200 set a new state record.

Dave came to Birmingham from East Grand Rapids in his junior year. He was a member of the record setting butterfly relay team at Battle Creek last year.

ROW 1 - P. Andreae, J. De Haan, F. McGinnis, P. Sintz, D. Rider, S. Gray, D. Cook, T. Bechtel, K. Parsch, D. Hubbard, J. Life, S. Pew, J. Overgard; ROW 2 - J. J. Myers, coach; B. Laidlaw, B. Haskett, E. Kimberly, D. Smith, J. Walls, F. Wickham, B. Beardsley, D. Andreae, R. Ward, W. Risk, J. Berno; ROW 3 - J. Hyde, P. Palmer, L. Birchard, P. Camp, K. Quick, J. Hutchinson, manager; S. Radom, L. Harber, T. Brown, G. Randolph, B. Green, J. Peters, B. Kipp, B. Buick.



State Class A swim finals

The 1956 - 1957 Season Record

Birmingham		Opponents
61	Highland Park	35
40	Grosse Pointe	56*
39	Plymouth	57
56	Hazel Park	39
69	Mt. Clemens	23
71	Ferndale	25
49	Royal Oak	47
50	Plymouth	46
68	Ferndale	28
58	Mt. Clemens	28
61	Hazel Park	25

*Grosse Pointe forfeited the meet for the use of an ineligible swimmer.

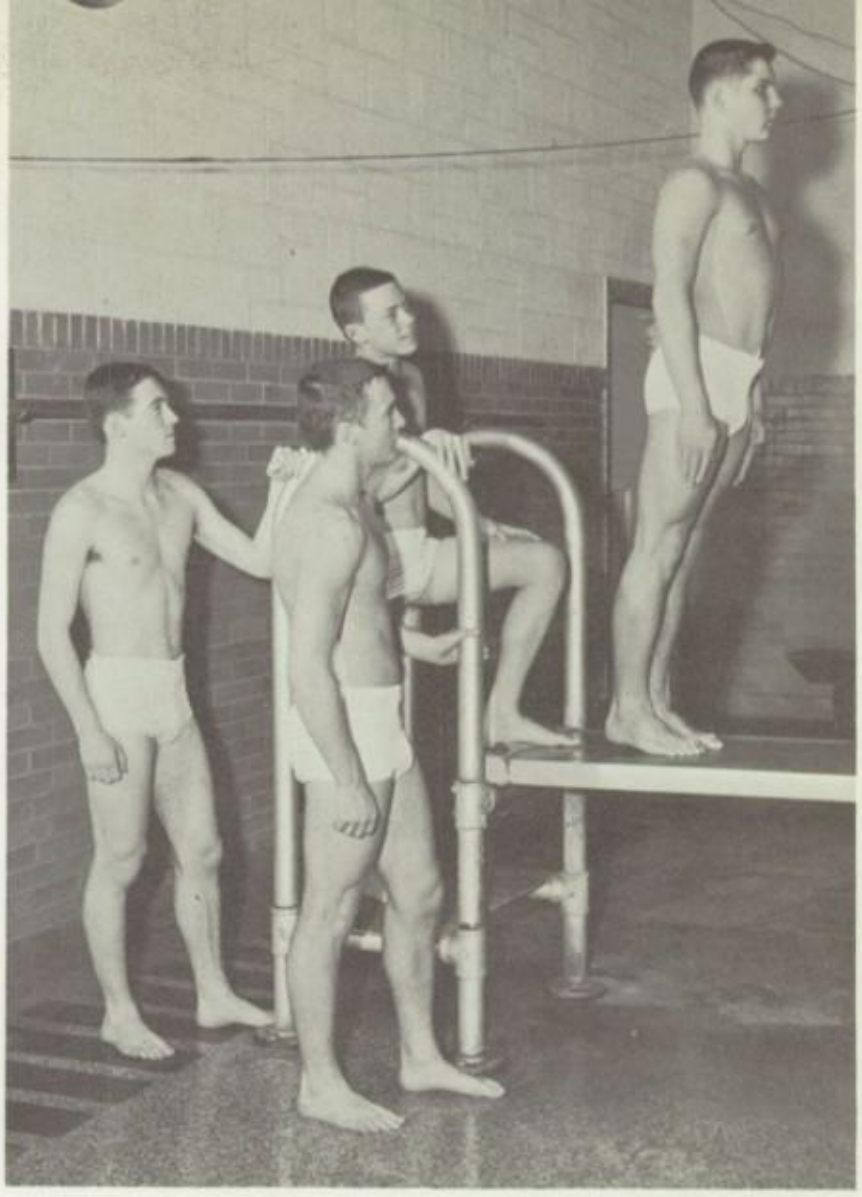
League Meet

Birmingham	142	Mt. Clemens	37
Ferndale	37	Hazel Park	35

State Meet*

Ann Arbor	41	Royal Oak	28
Battle Creek	40	Saginaw Arthur Hill	23
Jackson	39	Birmingham	22

*Entered in the State Meet were 31 Class A schools.



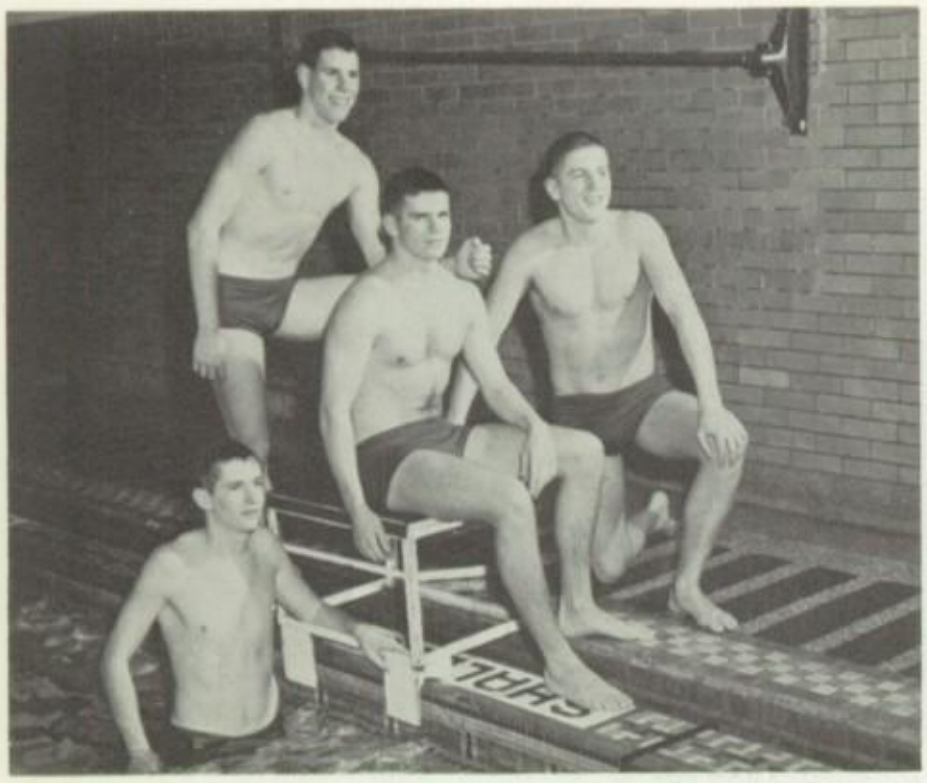
These divers gave Birmingham monopoly when they captured the first four places in the League meet. Composed of three sophomores and one senior, this quintet was a stronger diving combo than any in recent years. Stu Gray, Paul Camp, Fred Wickham, John Hyde.

This fearsome foursome of sophomore Dave Smith, juniors Tom Bechtel, Pete Sintz, and senior Jon Overgard teamed up to break the school and pool records of last year's All-American medley relay team with a 1:51.8.

Holding the blocks for Jim Walls and Jon De Haan so they can get a fast start are Steve Pew and Dave Smith. The latter two dominated the League meet with a third and a first place finish. Walls was on the backstroke relay at Battle Creek along with Smith, Pew, and Pete Palmer.

Jim Walls, Dave Rider, Jim Peters, and Pete Sintz swam the 100 yard butterfly, a revision of the old breast stroke. A transfer from Royal Oak, Peters swam the event regularly for Birmingham. Sintz holds the school record of 1:03.0 for the new event.

Maple swimmers set new



This quartet formed a freestyle relay team which rewrote Birmingham's record book. The 1:37.8 time smashed the old record of 1:40.8. Composed of three juniors, Frank McGinnis, Pete Sintz, and Tom Bechtel, along with senior Jon Overgard, the quartet teamed up against Ferndale and turned in a brilliant performance.

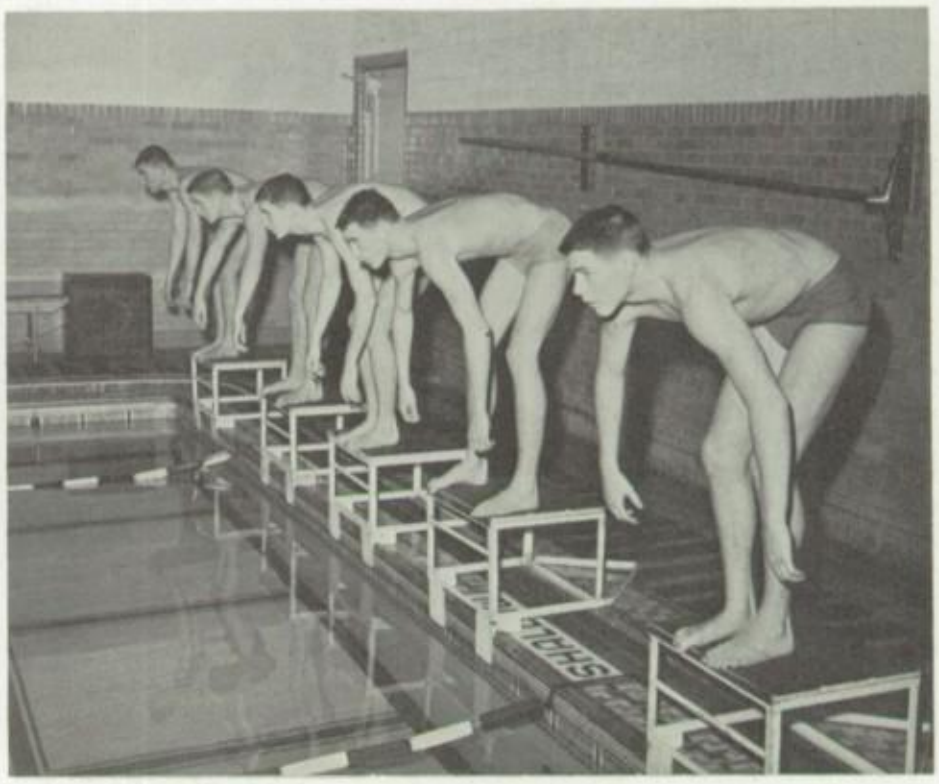
Overgard came into his own this year. He started the year as a distance and individual man, and wound up a freestyle sprinter and anchor man on relays.

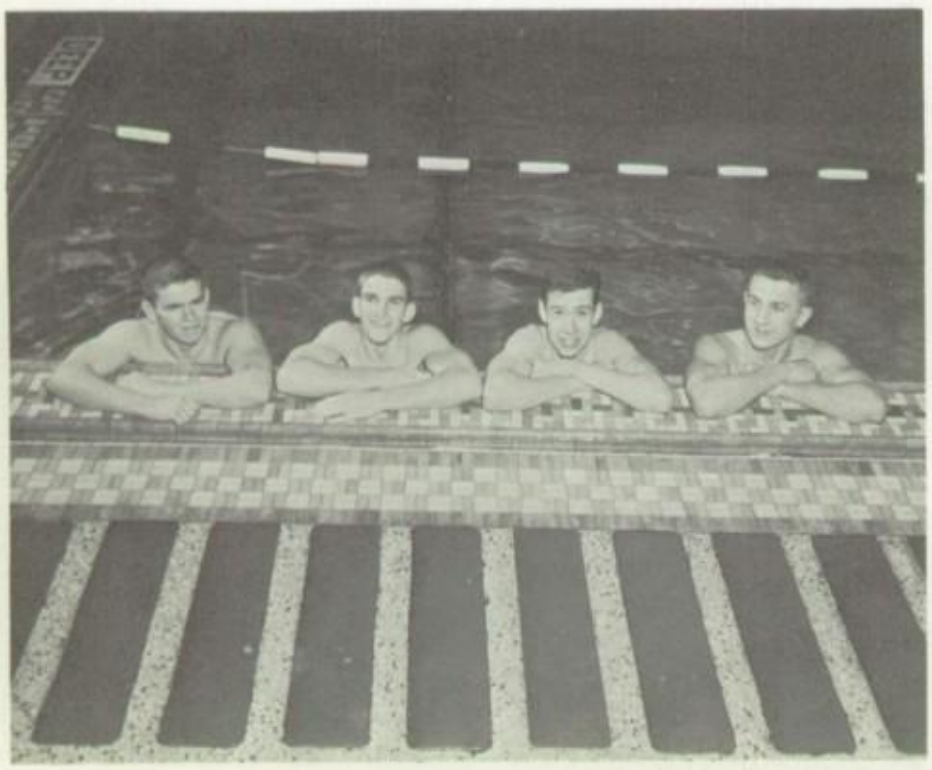
All four boys finshed with at least one first at League meet. Frank and Jon were also members of the freestyle relay team which placed at the Class A State meet at Lansing.

The sprinters on this year's squad continually set new marks and chalked up valuable points all year. Bill Buick, Jon Overgard, Frank McGinnis, Pete Palmer, and Pete Sintz led the team to many victories by taking first in the 50 yard freestyle. Led by Pete Sintz, who placed fifth in the 50 and third in the 100 yard freestyle at State meet, they set a new high for future teams.

All will be back next year except Overgard. Buick and Palmer, both sophomores, were members of the relay team which placed at State. Bill lettered in his freshman year and came through with his best time at the State meet. Palmer is a backstroker turned freestyler this year.

Sintz holds the pool and school record of :23.8 in the 50, the pool record of :54.1 and school record of :52.9 in the 100 yard freestyle.





Tom Bechtel, Dave Cook, Dick Hubbard, and Jeff Life made it rough on all competition in the 200 yard and 100 yard distances. Not a single first was scored against the Maples in these events, including the State meet. They dominated the event in the League meet, taking the first four places. Cook, Hubbard, and Life are seniors who captured seconds and thirds while junior Tom Bechtel set the pace. Tom ranked first at State and on the squad, breaking 2:00 for the distance. He holds the school records for the 200 in 1:59.4 and the 400 in 4:26.7; the state record in 2:00 and just missed the state record for the 400 by one-tenth of a second with his 4:26.7.

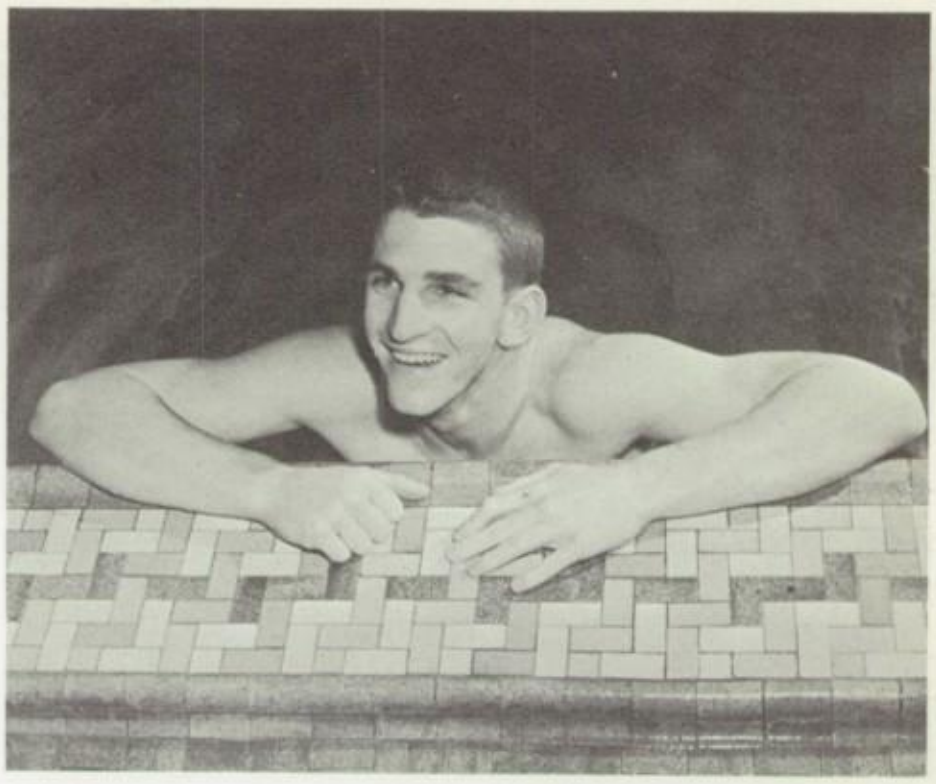
Never has Birmingham had as much strength and depth in the distances as these four boys provided.

League, Class A marks

This year's Goldsmith Memorial award goes to co-captain Dave Cook who earned the votes of the majority of his teammates and his coach as the most valuable to his team. Also counting were sportsmanship, scholastic average, and leadership ability.

Dave was a hard worker, a consistent point-getter, and a real leader. He was largely responsible for pulling the team together after a sloppy season start. Thus he was an asset to the team both in the pool and out.

Dave was a member of the record-breaking butterfly relay team at the Cereal Bowl in 1955. He held the school and pool records for the 400 yard freestyle. The record board does not do his ability and hard work justice.



Taking his ninth annual championship bath, Coach J. Jay Myers finds plenty of helping hands to dunk him. The jubilant Maple tankers had just won their ninth consecutive League crown.

J. Jay coached the Maples to these championships in ten years. His teams hold every League record. The team also ranked sixth in the Class A State meet, the highest any Maple team has placed in Class A swim competition.

The Maples won the championship with an unprecedented 142 points, taking every first place but one. With 25 swimmers in the finals, Birmingham dominated every event, also taking the valuable second and third places. The Maples now hold every League record, setting a half dozen new marks this year: In the 150 yard freestyle, 200 yard freestyle, 100 yard freestyle, 100 yard breaststroke, 150 yard individual medley, and the 200 yard medley relay.

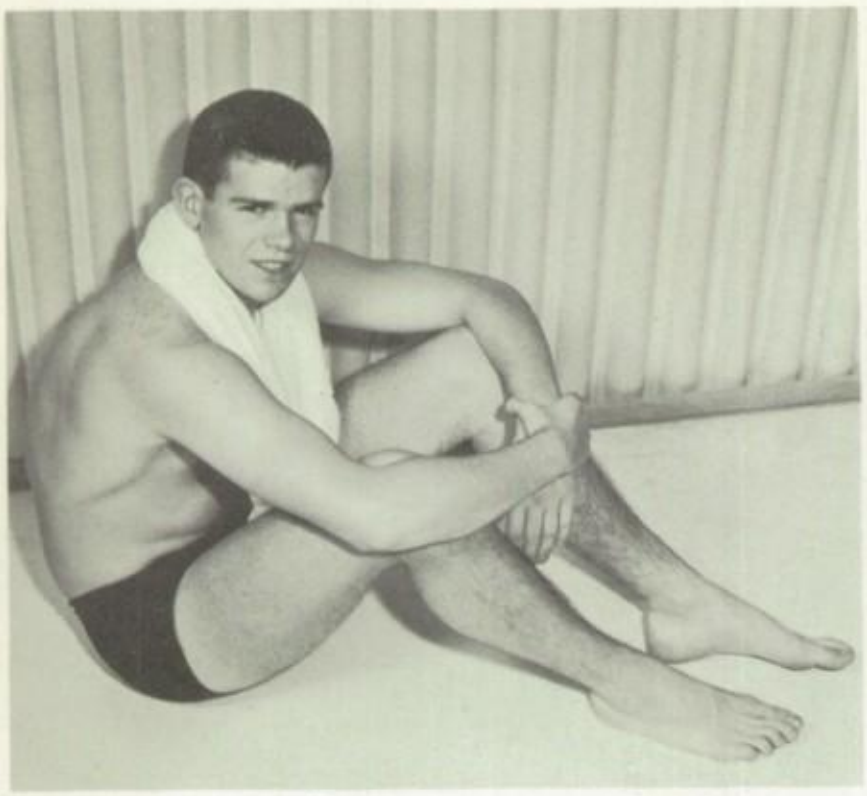
The individual medley is perhaps the hardest event in high school swimming. These five boys, Pete Sintz, Dave Smith, Dave Rider, Dave Cook, and Tom Bechtel, proved themselves the most versatile men on the team and in the League, finishing one, two, three in the League meet. This event requires a boy to go 50 yards butterfly breast stroke, then 50 yards backstroke, finishing with 50 yards freestyle.

Only a sophomore and second in the League, Smith turned in times far better than any other sophomore in the history of the team.

Bechtel and Sintz were the first ones on the team to break the 1:40.0 barrier. Tom took first in the League and set a record of 1:39.9. He also holds the school and pool record in 1:38.0.

In meets Rider and Cook swam this event oftener than anyone else on the team, taking third at League.

Extra work makes champs



About 500 college coaches and swimmers from the United States and many foreign countries gather each Christmas at the mammoth Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, municipal pool to exchange ideas and training techniques. Included in this mass of humanity, but we don't know where, is Tom Bechtel.

The true meaning of swimming is not apparent at first glance. The value of athletics comes not from watching but from doing. The harder the individual works, the more within his reach his goals become, whether they are to be League champ or Olympic champ.

The goals are sportsmanship, citizenship, character, trustworthiness, personality, determination, teamwork, courtesy, physical perfection, self - control. In swimming one learns to set these goals and to try to achieve them by paying the price for them. The higher the price set, the more the swimmer develops his mind and body in reaching for his goals.

By hard work this year has been the swimming team's best year. This year trust and competitive spirit have been especially strong. This was evident at both the League and the State meets, where the team placed highest in its Class A history. In both hard work and competitive spirit, credit goes to Coach Myers for the very excellent job he is doing. If anyone says, "Why swim?" I say, "Why not?"

Swimming knows no season

Another addition to the Birmingham athletic plant is the beautiful new swimming pool, one of the finest in the state. Shown here in the early stages of construction, the pool is due for completion late in the school year. It is equipped with the finest features available, including underwater windows through which the coach can observe his swimmers. Glass walls on the east side of the pool give it a solarium effect and add to its attractiveness.

A high diving board and a complete public address system are other features. Certainly not to be overlooked is the pool's seating capacity, about 1000. This is a vast improvement over Barnum pool, and one which all swimming followers certainly will appreciate. Birmingham's wish for a new swimming pool is at last realized, and in a big way, too!

For some people swimming a mile a day would be a tremendous effort, but to these 17 Birmingham boys it was little more than a daily routine last summer. These fun-loving youths spent two months at Matt Mann's Camp Chikopee in Ontario. Nine of the boys became Maple varsity swimmers; during the season they all cashed in on the value of their hard work at the camp. Swimming summer and winter makes champions.

KNEELING - Jim Walker, Wayne Andreae, Timmie Redmond, Bobbie Redmond, Fred Kimberly, Bill Green; STANDING - Bob Bloom, Jon de Haan, Lyn Birchard, Tom Bechtel, Dick Hubbard, Matt Mann, Pete Sintz, Tom Watson, Bill Buick, Phil Andreae, Dave Wentworth, Elliot Kimberly.

Maples lose close games to

The Maple basketball team had its ups and downs throughout the season in compiling a six-won-nine lost record. Under the leadership of Coach John Petrakis, the boys got off to a good start, losing only to Royal Oak by two points in the first four games.

But the Maples ran into stiff competition from Eastern Michigan League teams and won only three of the next ten games, defeating Hazel Park 71 - 45 and 61 - 31 and Mt. Clemens 75 - 58. Against Catholic Central in the regionals, they played one of their best games of the season, losing 58 - 55 to the Shamrocks. But with a little more luck, the fighting Maples might have won.

Coach Petrakis had a tough rebuilding job to do this year with only one regular returning. But with several players back next year, the likeable mentor can look to a better season.

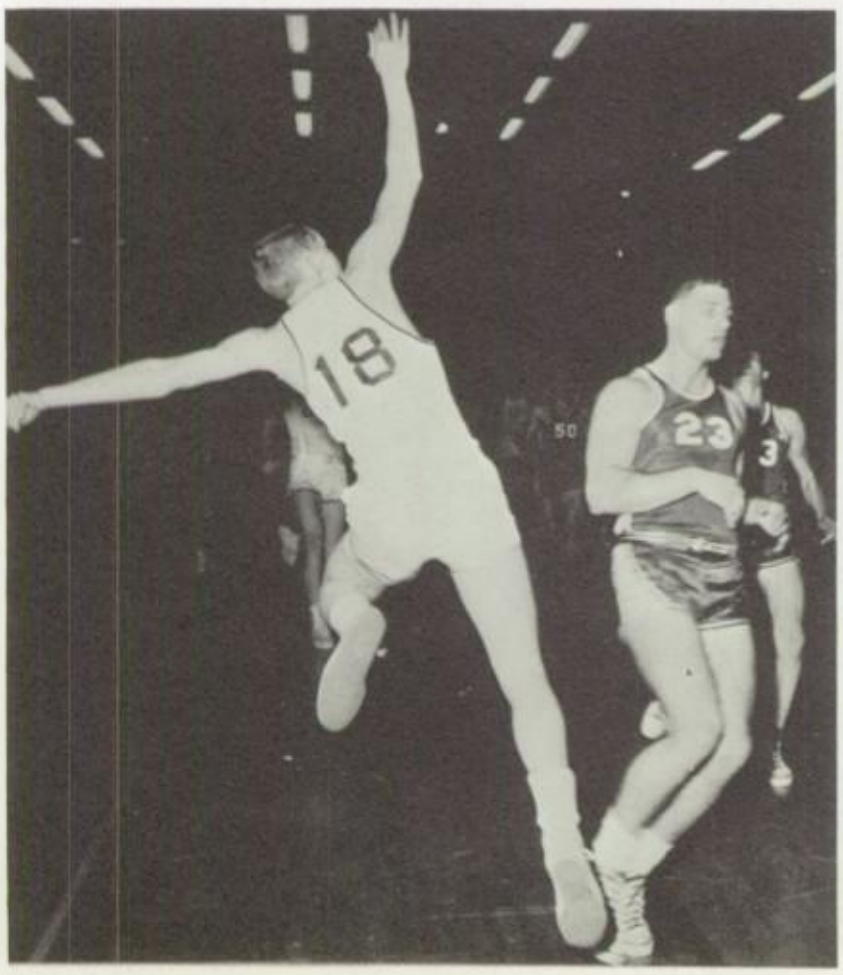
ROW 1 - Bob Peckheiser, Bob Stephenson, Marshall Roe, Bob Isbell, Dave Ritchie, Tom Kelly; ROW 2 - Coach Petrakis, Pete Green, Harold Chappell, Phil Russell, Chuck Gibson, Tony Evangelista, John Baker, manager; ROW 3 - Steve Surridge, manager; Fred Nicholas, Tom Fontaine, Joe Schlesinger, manager.

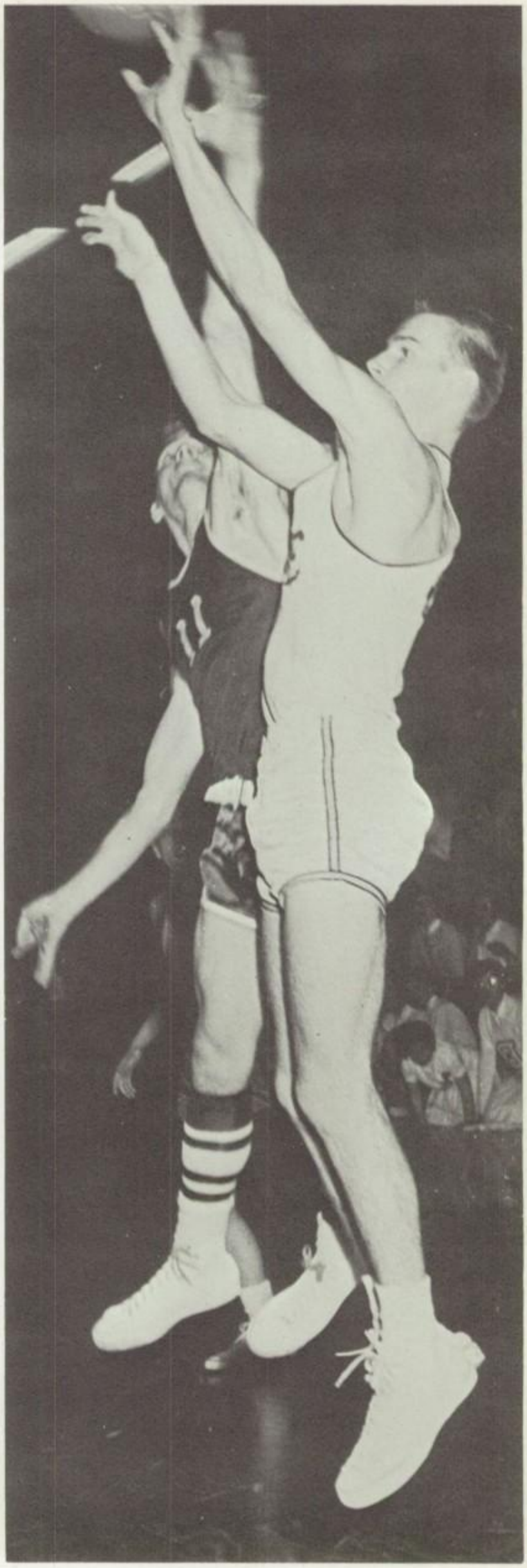
finish season fifth in EML

Birmingham	Opponent	Opp. Score
47	Cranbrook	36
60	Royal Oak	62
67	Southfield	47
52	Fitzgerald	38
50	Mt. Clemens	58
43	Port Huron	67
71	Hazel Park	45
48	Ferndale	49
36	East Detroit	52
75	Mt. Clemens	58
61	Hazel Park	31
58	Port Huron	75
44	Ferndale	58
60	East Detroit	73
55	Catholic Central	58
827		807

Scrappy junior forward Bob Stephenson gets off a jump shot despite the efforts of East Detroit's Larry Phillippi as an unidentified Maple looks on. Bob's rebounding, second only to that of Bob Isbell, was of great value to the team all season.

Up goes Maple guard Tom Kelly for two points on a fast break against defending League champ Port Huron. At the end of the season Tom was elected honorary captain. Identifiable are Port Huron's Rich Robbins, Warren Wade, Ken Martin, and Gerald Barr and Maples Bob Isbell and Marshall Roe.





They lead us in Maple spirit

Tom Kelly tries for two points against Port Huron while Bob Isbell and Bob Stephenson battle for rebound position with Hurons Ron Wells and Gerald Barr. Isbell led the team in rebounding and scoring, and his consistent good play will be sorely missed next year. Others in on the play are Marshall Roe and Bruce Myles and All-State Rich Robbins of the Hurons.

We are the Maples - Mighty, mighty Maples! The corridors echo Fight, Team, Fight as our hard-working cheerleaders practice - practice - practice! Because of this, they are good as they lead the fans through cheer after cheer the night of the game. Football season brings mud, slush, rain, and snow. But under the guidance of co-captains Bev Ford and Paula Struck, these girls spark the fans to give out with ringing shouts the peppy cheers.

In the gym, as the basketball team fights for the ball, can be heard the exultant sound of We've Got the Team. The eight cheerleaders give their all to let the boys know we are back of them—win, lose, or draw. During fall and winter pep rallies, the cross country and swim teams come in for their share of recognition. Few schools can boast cheerleaders of the caliber of our very own.

We are the Maples - Mighty, mighty Maples
Everywhere we go, people want to know
Who we are . . . So we tell 'em
We are the Maples, mighty, mighty Maples
WHO! MAPLES!

These pep and personality - packed girls are Gibby Slater, Midge Taup, Sharon Byers, Paula Struck, Carol Bain, Ann Cope, Bev Ford, Judy Krempa.

We will make up the Maple stars and champions next year

Showing great promise of bolstering the varsity next year, the reserve basketball team ended a successful season under Coach Lew Parry with a record of nine wins and five losses.

The miniature Maples started off with an impressive 50 - 38 victory over Cranbrook but then dropped a spine-tingler to Royal Oak 39 - 38 in sudden death overtime. The seconds then took four straight, defeating Southfield and League opponents Mt. Clemens, Port Huron, and Hazel Park.

Losses to Ferndale and East Detroit stopped the streak; but in a show of red hot shooting, the Maples outpointed Mt. Clemens reserves 73-62. After a victory over Hazel Park, they suffered defeats at the hands of Port Huron and Ferndale. In the final game of the season, Birmingham avenged an earlier loss to East Detroit with a 63-59 victory over the Shamrocks.

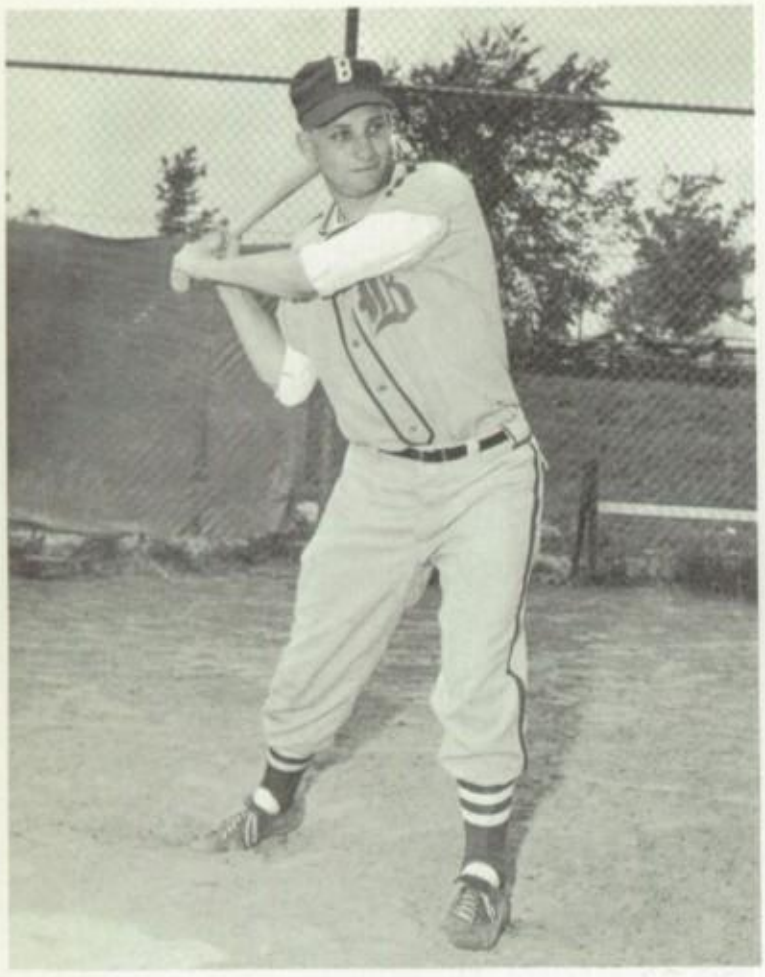
The flashy seconds averaged more than 50 points per game. With such scoring ability, they should be of tremendous value to the varsity team next season.

1956-1957 SEASON RECORD

Birmingham		Opponent
50	Cranbrook	38
38	Royal Oak	39
61	Southfield	53
41	Fitzgerald	32
65	Mt. Clemens	44
49	Port Huron	47
48	Hazel Park	42
33	Ferndale	47
48	East Detroit	54
73	Mt. Clemens	62
59	Hazel Park	33
45	Port Huron	56
39	Ferndale	43
63	East Detroit	59

ROW 1 - Drew Novak, manager; Ed Phelps, Roger Barrett, Jeff Boucher, Larry Kelly, John Meeks, Bob Innes, Tony Hamner, manager; ROW 2 - Bill Muenchinger, Fred Buesser, Bob Lovell, Jim Riley, Bob Taylor, John Shelly, Ed Busch, John Dixon, Lew Parry, coach.

Maple baseball team plays with



John Fleser

Led by Captain Bill Deer and under the able coaching of Lew Parry, the 1956 Maple baseball team compiled a record of six victories and six losses to finish in third place in the Eastern Michigan League standings.

Key players in the Maple lineup were John Fleser, shortstop; Jim Traa, outfielder; and Don Picmann and Larry Hower, pitchers. A feature of last season was Deer's long homerun against Mt. Clemens, the only Maple homer all year.

The spectacular fielding of Mintling Memorial Award winner John Fleser was a Maple strongpoint. Fles was a leader in almost all departments, topping the batters with a .359 average and capturing the runs batted in, total hits, and stolen bases titles. He started the season as an outfielder but wound up at shortstop position.

ROW 1—Arnauld Issette, Larry Milford, Don Picmann, Lee Abernethy, Jim Traa, John Fleser; ROW 2—Bill Coons, Fred Bleakley, Bob Isbell, Larry Hower, Phil Russell, Tom Leupen; ROW 3—Dick Cloonan, Edward Busch, Tom Kelly, Bill Bolle, George Miller, Fred Nicholas; ROW 4—Larry Kelly, Len Willis, Ron Cornila, John Holliday, Jim Reid, mgr.; ROW 5—Joe Schlesinger, mgr.; Bill Muenchinger, John Dixon, Bob Lovell, Lew Parry, coach.

spirit that wins games

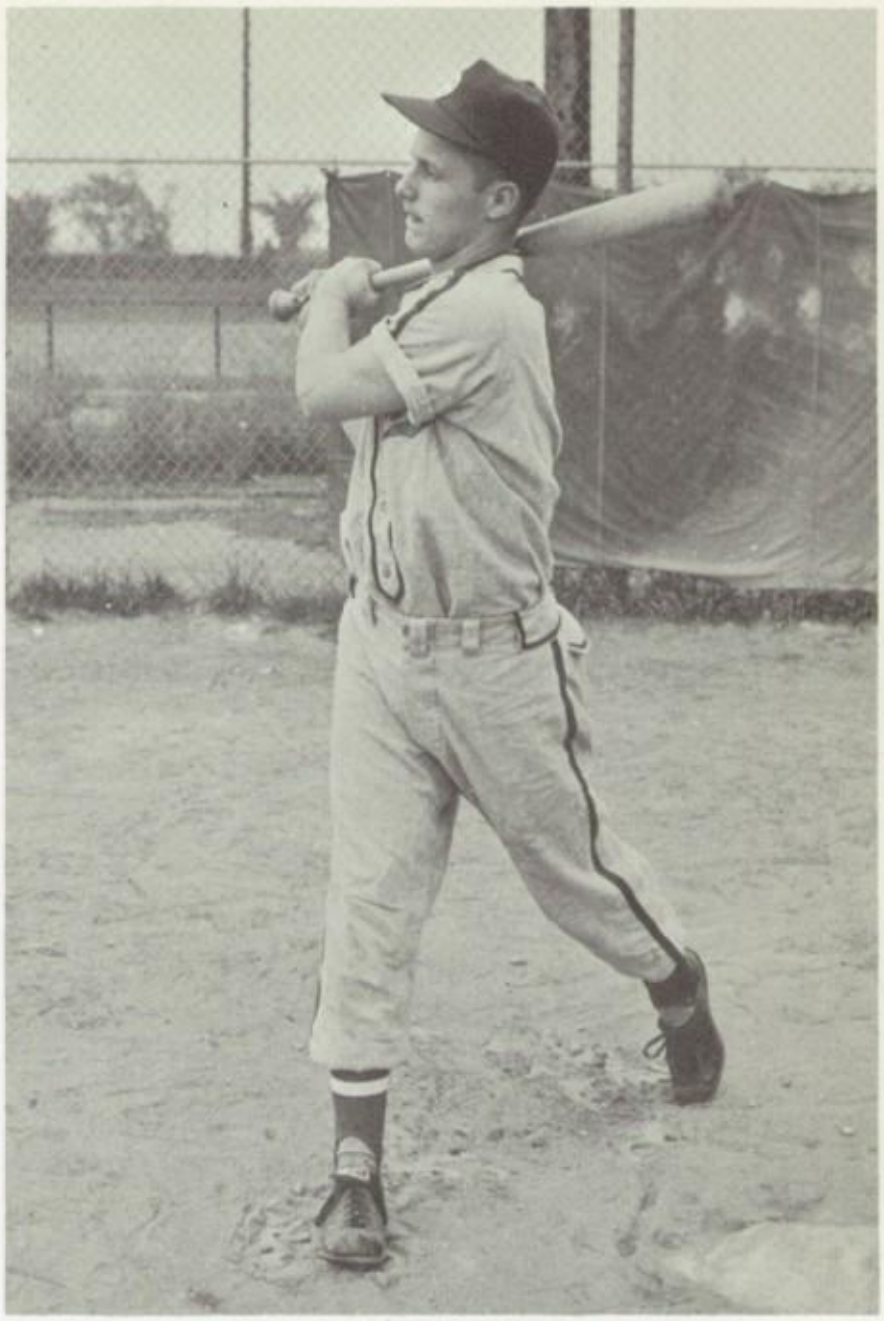
SEASON RECORD

Birmingham		Opponents
2	Waterford	1
3	Southfield	4
6	Mt. Clemens	2
1	Hazel Park	5
0	Ferndale	4
12	East Detroit	3
2	Port Huron	3
3	Mt. Clemens	2
6	Hazel Park	4
8	East Detroit	7
3	Port Huron	4
3	Cranbrook	4

Captain Bill Deer, holdover starter from '55, inspired the Maples with brilliant performance and consistent drive. He finished the season with a .316 batting average.

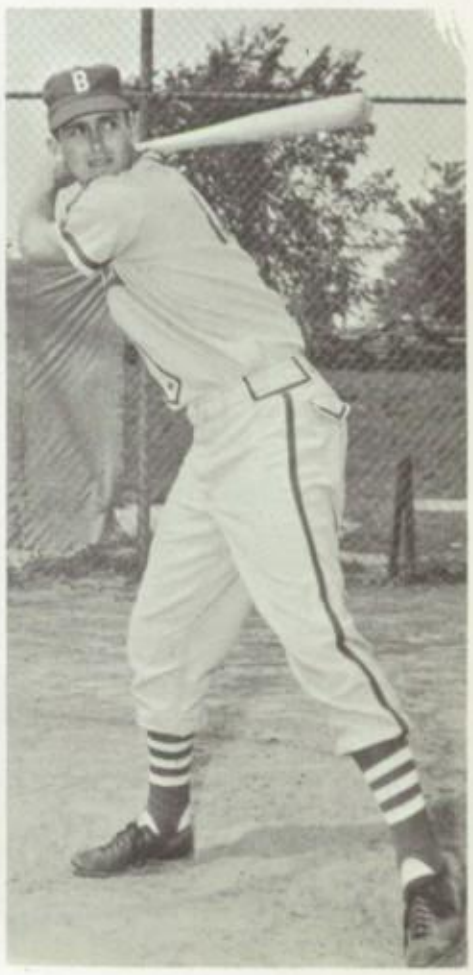
Though hampered by a shoulder injury, Jim Traa displayed fiery competitive spirit to earn a .282 batting average. Trapper was second in runs-batted-in and collected 11 hits.

Larry Hower led the Big Three of the Maple mound staff in innings pitched and earned run average while Don Picmann was the most dependable pitcher, also helping with his hitting. Larry Milford rounded out the season with a 1.78 earned run average. He injured his arm midway in the season and finished with an 0-2 record. Excellent relief pitching was furnished by Fred Bleakley and Dick Cloonan.

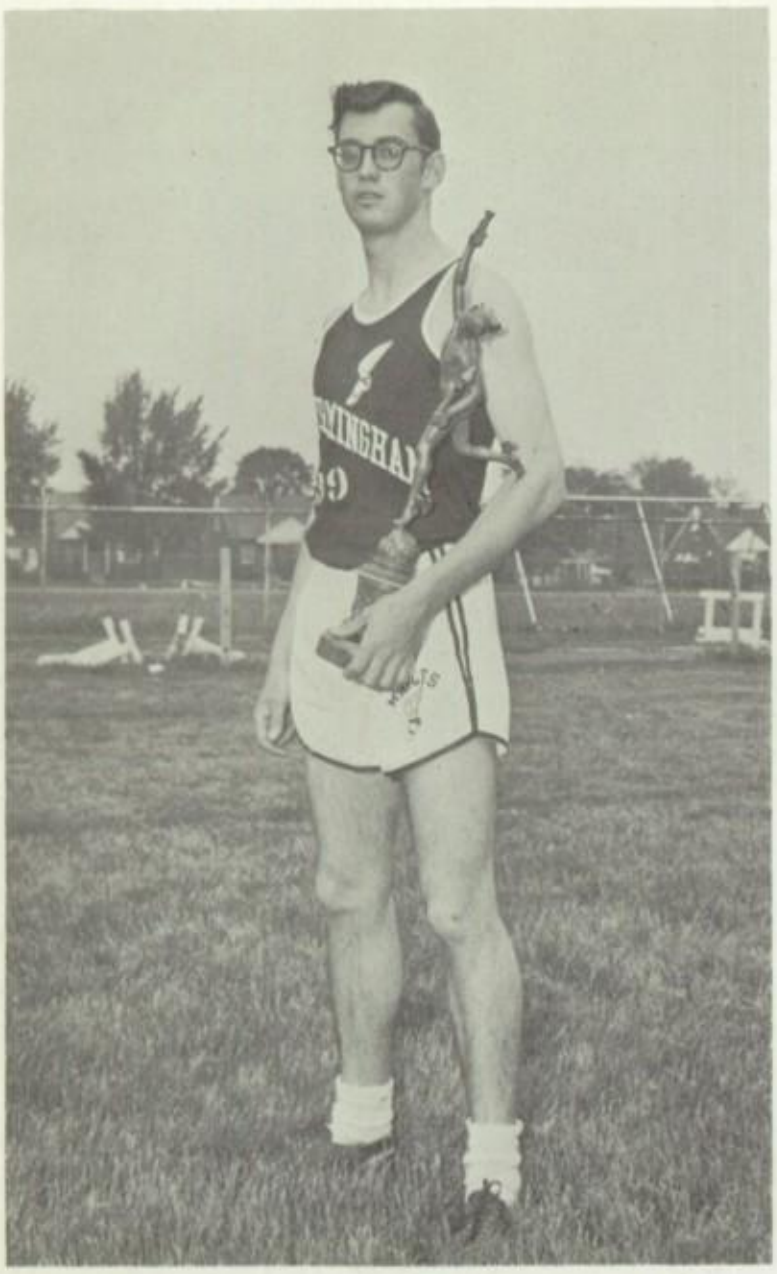


Captain Bill Deer

Jim Traa



Larry Hower, Don Picmann, Larry Milford, Fred Bleakley, Dick Cloonan



1956 Track and Field crown

Again dominating the Eastern Michigan League, the Maples stretched their undefeated string of dual meets to 21 and repeated as Regional and League champions.

They competed in the Mansfield Relays, Mansfield, Ohio; Central Michigan Relays; John Bos Relays, Grand Rapids; Albion Invitational; Huron Relays, Ypsilanti; and the Memorial Day Meet of Champions, Kalamazoo, placing among top Michigan schools.

The team placed third in the State Class A meet. Maples Doug Wuggazer, Joe Kidwell, Bill McFarlen, Ron McCrumb, and Howard Didier accumulated 23 points, three behind second place Flint Northern which trailed champion Pontiac.

Joe Kidwell, Maple co-captain, won the 1956 Bucky Zoellin memorial trophy for his top performance in the 120 yard high hurdles at the State meet in :15.1. His 967 points earned the award, considered track's greatest honor. His time is topped only by the brilliant performance of the 1955 award winner Gordon Pade.

ROW 1—J. Silbar, M. Hall, M. Brokaw, D. Boyd, W. Geggie, F. Mabley, G. Schack, B. Alcorn; ROW 2—S. Moray, mgr., T. Segal, P. Berry, T. Evangelista, D. Wuggazer, H. Didier, J. Appleford, J. Kidwell, B. McFarlen, R. McCrumb, M. Nordstrom, J. Macdonald, B. Brown; ROW 3—L. Quinn, mgr., T. Fontaine, F. Michelson, D. O'Camb, S. Hunter, B. Stephenson, K. Gertz, C. Gibson, S. Pew, T. Sellner, L. Benn, D. Tate, K. Ambrose, coach; ROW 4—D. Booth, J. Clark, G. George, D. Spehar, J. Stark, B. Hohmeyer, B. Gertz, J. Emmerling, M. Oldham, B. Seldon, C. Bonnett, D. Bidigare, G. Didier; ROW 5— G. Rappaport, S. Landis, H. Sellner, T. Brown, B. Brodeur, W. Ross, H. Chappell, J. Craig, B. Montgomery, J. Schultz, A. Carpenter, L. Danielson; ROW 6—B. Stark, F. Cocks, P. deBeaubien, B. Haskett, M. Weinrich, D. Smith, J. Mitchell, L. Nickel, B. Martin, J. Atkinson, M. Thornbury, J. Pass, T. Schafer, J. Rutledge.

honors Olympic Games year

DUAL MEETS

Birmingham		Opponent
62 5/6	Waterford	46 1/6
77 1/2	Mt. Clemens	31 1/2
81 1/3	Southfield	25 2/3
75	East Detroit	34
89	Berkley	20
84	Port Huron	25
89 5/6	Hazel Park	19 1/6

EASTERN MICHIGAN LEAGUE MEET

Birmingham 83	Port Huron 17
East Detroit 55	Hazel Park 16
Mt. Clemens 34	Ferndale 1

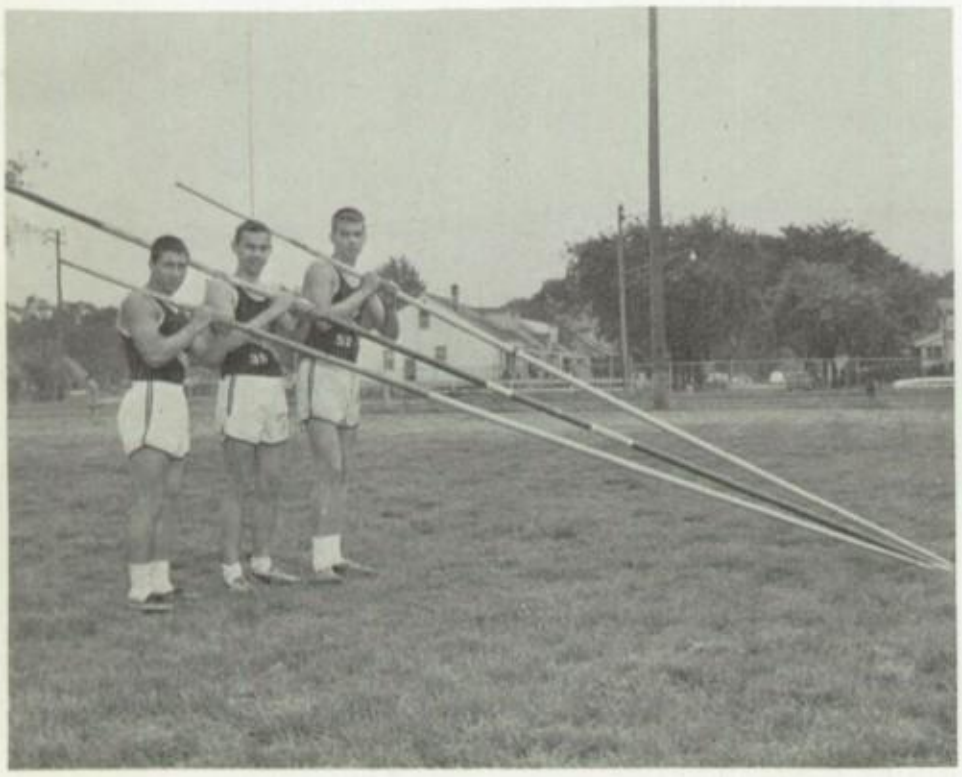
CLASS A STATE REGIONALS

Birmingham 59 1/2	Mt. Clemens 24	Ferndale 0
Grosse Pointe 40	Berkley 16	Harper Woods 0
Royal Oak 31 1/2	Hazel Park 9	Notre Dame 0
East Detroit 27	Port Huron 3	

Jim Macdonald was one of the best broadjumpers in the League, placing second in the League meet.

The two mile relay team of Ken Gertz, Howard Didier, Dick Boyd and Marv Brokaw broke the school record in the John Bos Relays in 8:35.7.

The quartet of Dick Boyd, Jim Macdonald, Tim Sellner and Don Tate broke the EML record at the League meet, running the race of two 220's and two 440's in 2:37.6.



The Maple motto is

Bob Stephenson was the team's second high scorer with 45 1/3 points. In the high jump he cleared 5 ft. 10 in. twice, placed first in the League meet, and second in the Regionals. He also gained points in the high and low hurdles.

Maple pole vaulters Tom Segal, Ron McCrumb and Bill McFarlen were rated among the best in the state. Segal took first in the League meet, and McCrumb and McFarlen tied for first in the state. McFarlen set a new school record of 11 ft. 11 3/8 in.

The team made a great showing at the State meet. Doug Wuggazer's final sprint brought him within a foot of the winner, and his 4:34.0 set a new school record. Joe Kidwell came in third in the high hurdles and second in the lows behind Pontiac ace Hayes Jones. Bill McFarlen tied for first in the pole vault; Howard Didier was second in the 880; Ron McCrumb tied McFarlen and five others for first in the pole vault.

The distance medley relay team set a school record, placing second in the Huron Relays in 11:39.0 Howard Didier 880; Mike Nordstrom 440; Doug Wuggazer, mile; and Bob Brown 1220. Wuggazer and Brown also ran the mile, Didier the 880, and Nordstrom the 440.

Every man a champ

These distance and middle distance men are all veterans of the 1955 championship cross country and track teams. Lynn Benn 880; Tom Fontaine, mile; Marv Brokaw, mile; Dick Boyd 880; Steve Pew 440; Mike Nordstrom 440; Steve Hunter 440; and Ken Gertz 880.

The 1956 Maples were blessed with a sextet of fast sprinters. Practicing starts are Jim Macdonald, Frank Michelson, Tony Evangelista, 100 and 200 yard dash champion of the EML; Co-captain John Appleford, Tim Sellner and Pat Berry.

The reserve track boys had a very fine season, winning all of their meets. They topped the League, accumulating 91 points, nearly equal to the combined total of the five other schools.

Bill Alcorn Doug Booth Marv Brokaw Bob Benson
Mark Hall Gary Schack Dave Spehar Les Danielson

Joe Kidwell was elected co-captain with John Appleford. He won the team high scoring honors with a total of 93 points in both hurdles and the relay.

Champion BHS golfers successfully defend league title

Braving bad weather with its opponents, the 1955 Maple golf team chalked up another successful season.

The Maples opened the season with an eight stroke victory over Waterford 330-338. The following week, despite a driving rain and 30 degree temperatures, the linksmen eked out a 336-338 decision over Mt. Clemens.

At the Flint Regionals the Maples qualified for the State meet although they finished a disappointing second in a rain-abbreviated meet. Two dual meet victories followed before the team relinquished its Pontiac Invitational Tournament title, finishing behind Royal Oak and a strong Waterford team. At Port Huron the Maples finished fourth in the State meet, 14 strokes behind winning Dearborn. The team wound up its season by successfully defending its Eastern Michigan League title, winning by 17 strokes.

Captain Tim Baldwin's average of 78 for seven meets reflected his excellent play throughout the season. Mike Conroy averaged 80; Pete Green 82; Tom McDaniel 84; Bob Emde 84; and Jon Overgard 87.

1955 SEASON RECORD

Birmingham		Opponent
330	Waterford	338
336	Mt. Clemens	338
314	Ferndale	360
334	Regionals	2nd place
341	Port Huron	378
325	Waterford	337
396	Pontiac Press	3rd place
341	State meet	4th place
317	League meet	champions

ROW 1—Bob Emde, John Bonds, Tim Baldwin, Pete Green, Mike Conroy. ROW 2—Paul Hogan, Jon Overgard, Coach Borovick, Dick Taylor, Tom McDaniel.

With only Tim Baldwin and Bob Emde graduating, the '57 team, bolstered by three returning regulars, counted on a good season.

Maple tennis team finishes year with average record

For the first time in several years the 1956 maple netters were defeated in both the Regionals and the League meet. In dual match competition, they showed the strength they actually possessed, losing only to Mt. Clemens and Cranbrook.

Under the leadership of Captain Bill Swaney, the '56 team turned in a good record. Toby Wells, Jeff Crawford, Tom Watson, Bill Wiggins, and Swaney were consistent winners. The doubles team of Watson and Crawford were runners-up in the League matches and Wiggins in singles. Seven of the 16 man squad were returning lettermen, the main reason that the team did as well as it did.

At the end of the season Mr. Newcomb resigned as coach and Mr. Carson was appointed to mentor the 1957 team.

1956 SEASON RECORD

Birmingham		Opponent
5	Northville	0
1	Mt. Clemens	4
1	Cranbrook	4
5	Hazel Park	0
0	Cranbrook	5
3	Ferndale	2
5	East Detroit	1
7	Port Huron	0
5	Northville	0

ROW 1—Pete Weldy, Dave Bird, Tom Taylor, Captain Bill Swaney, Jim Duffield, Carl Reynolds, Jim May; ROW 2—Carter Ratcliffe, Phil Andreae, Tom Watson, Bill Wiggins, Jeff Crawford, Toby Wells, Bob Hewitt, Alan Wright, Bob Baxley, Coach Harold Newcomb.

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Hockey comes to Birmingham

Hockey stars are made, not born. In the present-day professional hockey ranks, American-born players are few and far between. The leagues are composed predominantly of players from Canada.

Today a boom in junior hockey is blanketing the United States. All over the nation leagues of all size and age groups are being organized. Truly, hockey is fast becoming one of the country's top participation and spectator sports.

Birmingham is no exception. In forming three separate leagues, this city has taken a big step toward developing a more complete and attractive recreational program.

The Intermediate league, for boys of ages 15 through 18, commanded the attention and enthusiastic participation of nearly 60 Birmingham high school boys from mid January to early March. Competition among the Barons, Blue Bombers, Red Wings, and Jets was rough and somewhat ragged; but as the season progressed, play became faster and sharper.

The Red Wings. ROW 1 - Ed Proctor, coach; Chuck Tower, John Holliday, Monte Pepperell, Bill Alcorn, Paul Matteson, Fraser Cocks; ROW 2 - Chuck MacLean, Tom Leupen, Walt Kraimer, Steve Landis, Brad Mack, Bob Dudley, Jere Gillette, coach.

Action sometimes slows down in the Intermediate league, but only momentarily. Waiting for the referee to drop the puck for the faceoff are Bob Hinman, Ed Risdon, Steve Landis, and Brad Mack.

The Blue Bombers. ROW 1 - Bill Lawson, Terry O'Connor, Phil Clohset, Greg Ruddy, Dave Bartush; ROW 2 - John Ley, John Watson, Pete Ritchie, Dick Tieman, Tom Thorson, Terry Oldberg, Dave Kuker.

via Recreation League play

From the beginning the Barons were the team to beat, taking a one game lead over the Blue Bombers and holding it until the final game of the season. With the title at stake in the last game, the Barons rose to the occasion by skating their way to a 2-1 victory over the Blue Bombers and the League championship. The Blue Bombers took runnerup spot, followed by the Red Wings and the Jets in that order.

With action fast and furious, the Intermediate league had many outstanding players, among them Blue Bomber wingman Mike Conroy and Baron goalie Paul Hogan. Hogan led the Barons to the league championship and an all-star game win with his outstanding play. Leading the scorers was Conroy, who paced his team to the runnerup finish and who was the only player in the League to score the Hat Trick. Here he pulls Hogan out of position to fire home a decisive goal.

League champion Barons. ROW 1 - Bob Hinman, Gary Johnson, Paul Hogan, Ron Cornila, Ray Lyons, Noel Kurth; ROW 2 - Ken Maurer, Dave McFawn, Rod Ruddy, Bill Rapp, Bob Hall, Tom Hewitt, Jim Maurer, Gene Apple.

Throughout the season the Barons dominated the league, but when the season ended, opponents hoped for revenge in the all-star game. Their hopes were dashed however, when the champion Barons eked out a hard fought 2-1 victory. Here Mike Conroy sprints up ice with teammate Greg Ruddy for the All-Stars.

Aquabelles put on show after time, effort

Sally Reid

Judy Stevenson

Catch that pose! After much practice, Miss Reid and Miss Stevenson help the girls polish their act. Beginning the act in the pose of flowers are Judy Button, Dottie Dreyer, Linda Janke, Carol Williams, and Pixie Yingling.

ROW 1 - Janet Mitchell, Joan Rasmussen, Nancy Stewart, Dawne Karnes, Mary Ann Varblow, Sue Leahy, Michal Greer; ROW 2 - Sally Hanson, president; Judy Austin, secretary; Kay Mabley, treasurer; Sue Polhemus, Sue Leader, Judy Potts, Carol Drinkard, Janet Hershberger, Joan Vinton; ROW 3 - Mary Heavenrich, Chris Carlson, Nancy Heavenrich, Cynthia Christine, Carol Williams, Mary Lynn Muma, Pixie Yingling, Barb Abbott, Ginger Backus, Judy Krempa, Bev Ford; ROW 4 - Lynne Cloonan, Barb Struck, Mary Lester, Sally Hibbard, Judith Boyer, Jill Rayle, Keppy Patton; ROW 5 - Carol Decker, Jane Terry, Sue Tabor, Joan Bartell, Linda Life, Sue VanHook, Linda Janke, Liz Gillen, Sue Elliott, Linda Norton; ROW 6 - Sue Boynton, Margo Mensing, Ann Lindow, Nancy Forsman, Karen Altmansberger, Ann Buchanan, Lois Bernitt, Francie Harris, Linda Robeson, D'Arline De Jongh, Joann Davies, Kay Graber, Helen Mange, Judie Button; ROW 7 - Barbara Hays, Judie Cowman, Judy Dodrill, Carol Weston, Caryl Powell, Gail Christie, Karen Koenig, Mickey Michaels, Ann Spoelstra; On diving board - Virginia Harrison, Gay Birchard, Bev Close, Sandy Voss, Barb Falconer, Karel McCurry, Les Stevens, Dotty Dreyer, Paula Struck, Jan Miller.

Shopping Spree is splashing success

Starting early in October, the Aquabelles began to plan their annual water show. Tryouts were held after six weeks of practice sessions. After the cast was finally selected, a meeting was held to choose Aquabelle officers. Sally Hanson was elected president; Judy Austin, secretary; and Kay Mabley, treasurer. The theme chosen was Shopping Spree. Acts were built around the theme and developed.

Many long Wednesday nights were spent in polishing numbers for the show in April. The Shopping Spree was student directed. Every act also had its own student director and properties chairman. Make up and script committees were appointed. The night of the show the two advisors, Miss Reid and Miss Stevenson, sat with the spectators and enjoyed the show.

A candy shop full of all kinds of surprises is the setting for this number performed by Sue Leahy, Kay Graber, Mary Lester and Carol Decker.

Jewelry is an important department of a large store. Rings are even more important for those special occasions. Many people just wander into the store to gaze at them hopefully. Much practice was put on this number to turn out six beautiful gold rings. Playing the part of the jewels are Mickey Michaels, Ann Lindow, Linda Robeson, Linda Norton, Keppy Patton and Kay Mabley.

Because of the big crowds and long hours, two lively new janitors were hired to clean up the department store after a weary day. The janitors furnished bright contrast to the many inanimate objects previously portrayed in the show. Jan Miller and Paula Struck are taking time off from their regular work for a little play.

Spike! Ann Spoelstra makes another point for her winning team. Volleyball was a popular sport this year, mostly because of the number of people who could play. Volleyball seems to be the favorite sport of these girls, who have to be on their toes every minute of the game. Keeping the ball moving are Margaret Powell, Sally Long, Ann Spoelstra, Rebecca Wagner, Bev Nimeth, Jackie Koskie, Carla Foster, Nancy Proctor, Judy Walker, Heidi Bader, Tam Badenoch and Bonnie Graham.

Competition, cooperation, fun are provided by team sports

Most sports that GAA offers are group activities. Each has a student manager, two equipment managers, captains and teams. Managers and captains are elected by the girls who participate in the sports. The teams are made up of an equal number of sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Meeting once a week on the designated day, the teams compete with each other. Occasionally teams go to other schools or other schools come to Birmingham, a school that has been host to many GAA playdays. All the schools in the Eastern Michigan League are represented by an equal number of girls.

Every fall the annual student-teacher vollyball game is played. GAA girls and Varsity Club boys compete against the athletic-minded teachers. This year the teachers earned the title of Champs.

With constant action and excitement, basketball is a favorite among GAA members. Playing two games every week, all the teams battled for the cherished first place.

In a close-scoring basketball game, a jumpball may decide which team will win. Referee Carla Foster prepares to throw the ball into the air. Mary Ellen Bleakley and Caryl Powell wait tensely, each hoping to jump first. Sally Long, Nancy Proctor, and Liz Reed are expecting the ball to come their way and are guarding each other carefully.

Individual skills developed

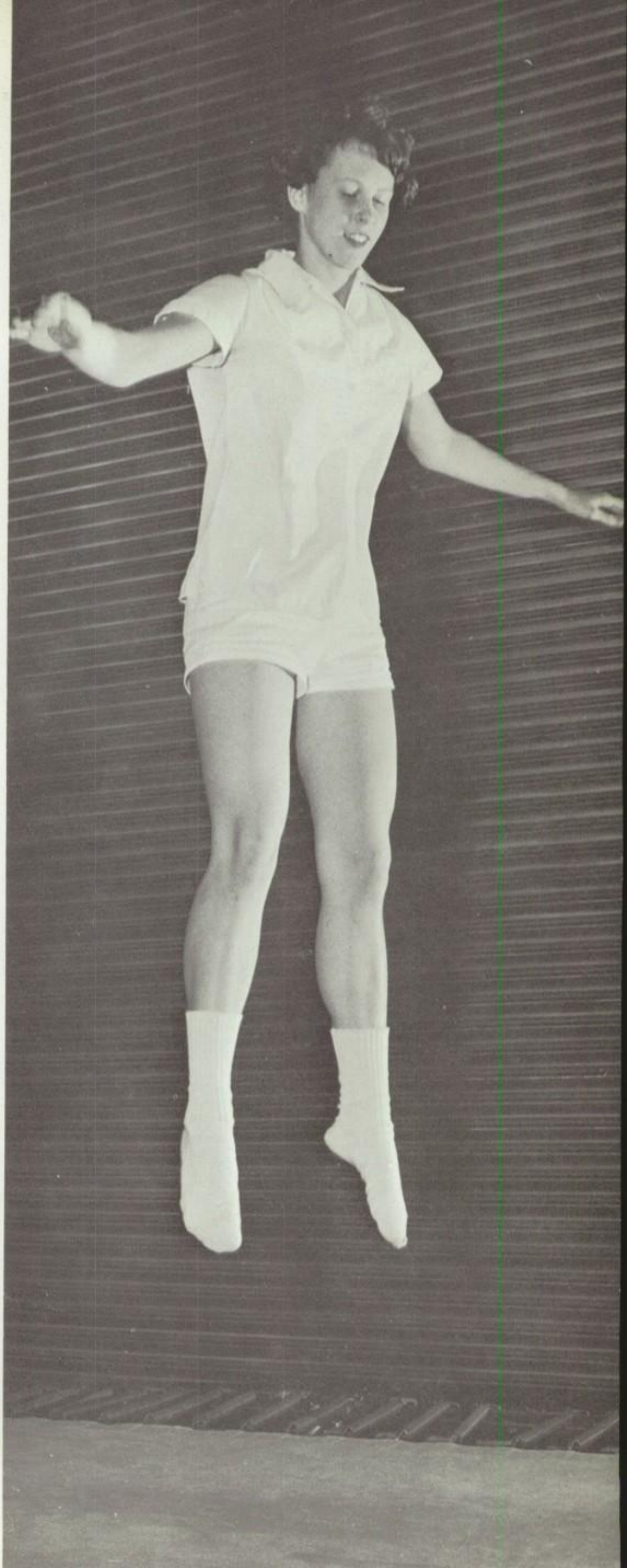
Individual sports are among the several specialties of GAA and present many girls with with the opportunity of participating in their favorite sports. Working individually, these would-be athletes learn to rely on themselves and their own abilities.

Aches and pains are soon forgotten when a girl is satisfied that she has done her sport well. Personal accomplishment means a great deal to someone who participates as an individual.

During the winter gym classes took part in bowling, tumbling, ping pong, badminton, and trampoline. After school, GAA enthusiasts returned for more activity in a few of these sports. Fencing, a new sport for GAA, started in the late winter.

When spring arrives new sports are added to the list. Tournaments are taking place among the different teams and sports. Badminton, golf, and tennis are three of the more popular sports. A very active member of GAA is Judy Gray. Participating in many sports, she says trampoline is her favorite.

"Bullseye!" was a familiar cry of the many GAA sharpshooters during their long practice sessions. Many afternoons were spent in front of the target, and sore fingers were not uncommon. Gail Patrick gets assistance on her grip from Jan Hershberger.



Many varied activities make up yearly schedule for GAA

According to the old superstition, 13 is an unlucky number; but hard at work to disprove it are these 13 girls. Here is an example of one of their successful attempts. Carol Drinkard, Julie Rasmussen, Joan Rasmussen, Judy Austin, Kay Mabley, Marsha Keys, Ann Millington, Carol Houghton, Deanna Jachimowicz, Pat Cornell, Jane Severs, Judy Kalmbach, and Jan Hershberger doing the splits.

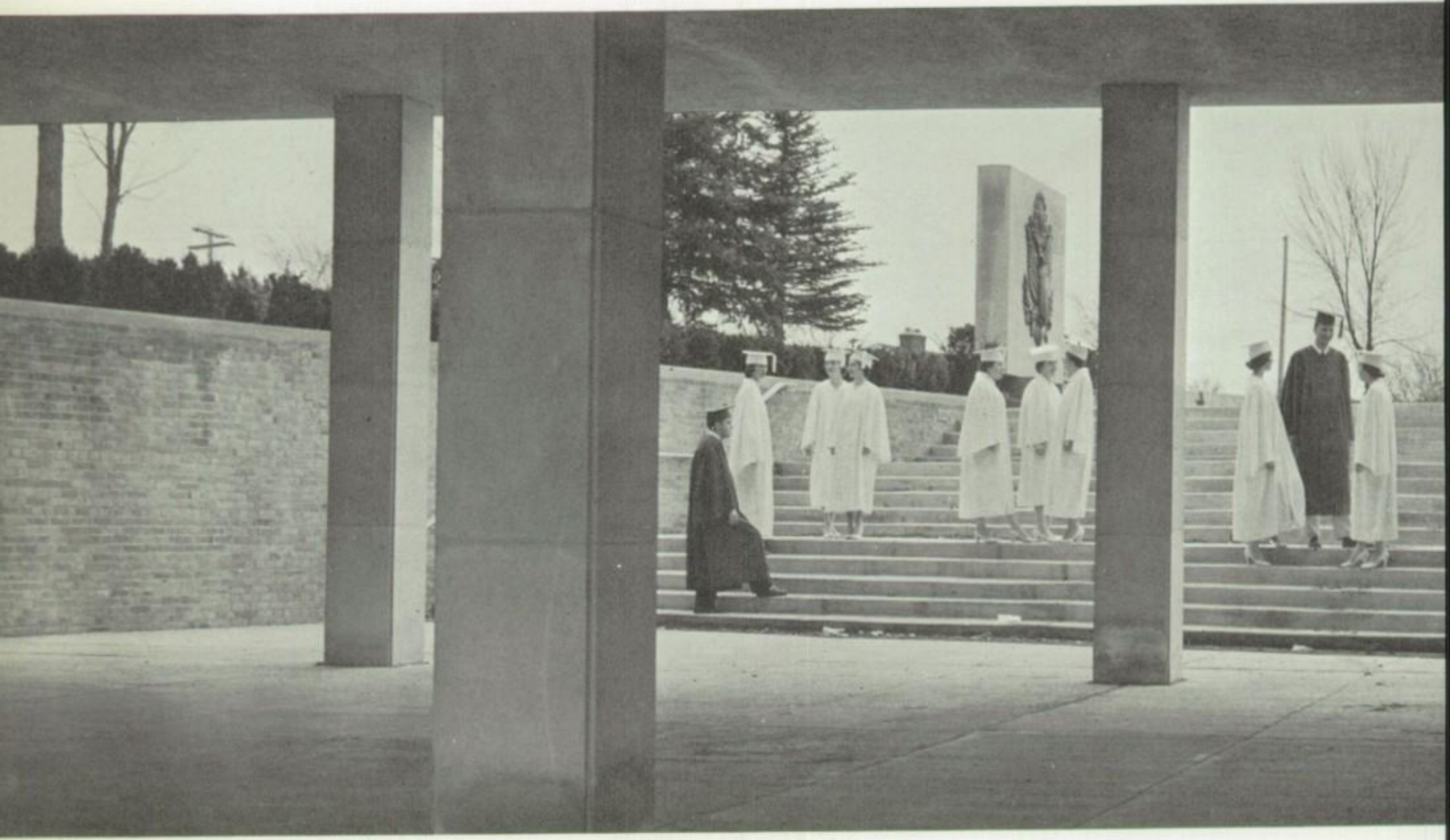
The bulletin board in the girls' locker room always gives a complete schedule of GAA activities. Marsha Keys puts up a new announcement while Judy Austin and Kay Mabley look to see what's happening this week.

Fencing was introduced this year as a new sport for GAA. It was accepted with great enthusiasm, and many new fencers were developed. Joyce Meyer, manager and teacher, explains basic fundamentals to an interested group.

The many trophies in the trophiy case show the varied activities of GAA and how well they are carried on. Julie Storch shows one she is particularly proud of while Nancy Hagen admires it, too.

Happy are the girls of GAA, especially the officers. Board members are Bev Ford, vice-president; Ginger Backus, president; Susie Hindle, historian; Nancy Maxwell, public relations; Sally Hibbard, secretary; and Liz Thomson, treasurer.

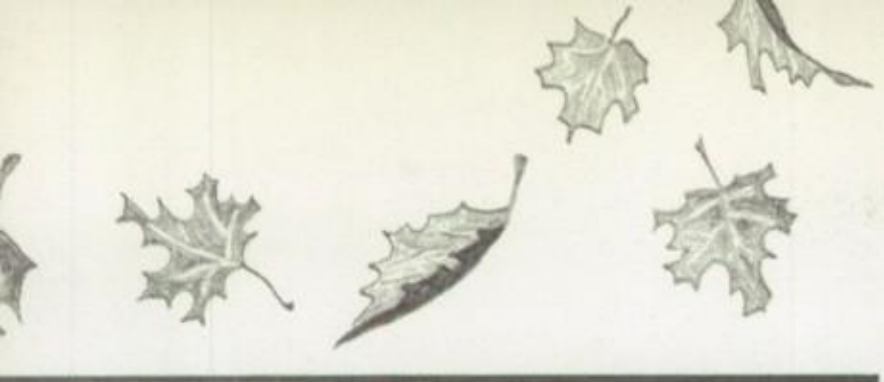
That's the Maple Spirit !

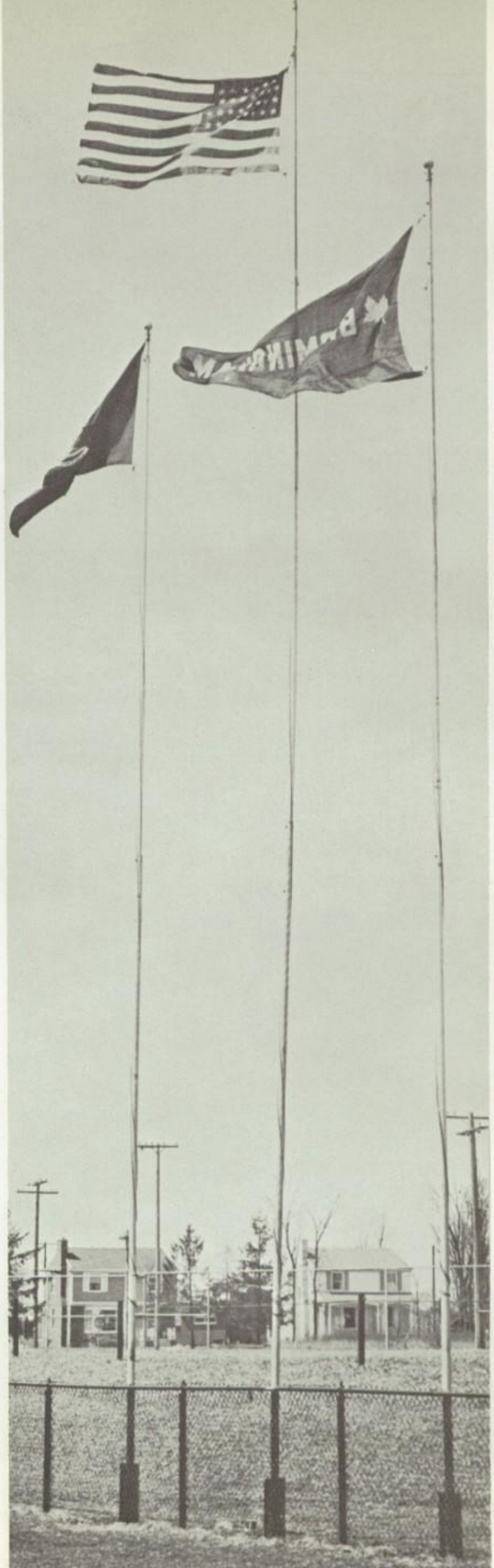


In Leaving

O deep Maroon, O snowy White,
O Maple boughs against the night,
Where'er we go, in youth or age,
When Memory scans her ample page,
Forever,
Birmingham, our hearts will yearn,
And lost in Fancy then return.

Like moments brief the years have fled,
One crowded hour of glorious life;
On shining feet Today is sped
To bring Tomorrow's joys and strife.
Forever,
Birmingham, our hearts will yearn
And lost in Fancy then return.





The year comes slowly

Senior year is such a long time coming. Seems as if it never will arrive! And then when it's here, suddenly it's gone! As the time for graduation approaches with all its attendant senior functions, we are conscious of our mixed emotions. We thought we would be glad to graduate. Now we know that it can also be a time of sadness. We realize that we are closing a most enjoyable chapter of our lives. We let memories of our senior year follow each other in ghostly procession across the mental screen.

ROW 1 - Jim Bain, president, Tom McDaniel, treasurer; Paula Struck, secretary; John Bonds, vice president.

ROW 2 - Ted Schaefer, Judy von Rosen, Tomaz de Lima Bronquinho da Fonseca, Helene Heldenstein.

ROW 3 - Mary Burkman, Fred Finkenauer, Beverly Ford, Don Thalacker.

ROW 4 - Sue Booker, Sue Tabor, Helen Cortright, Klaus Parsch.

ROW 5 - Kem Hogan, Nancy Olsen, Sally Hanson, Steve Pew.

ROW 6- Pat Berry, Mickey Michaels, Sarah Hogan, Brian Deans.

ROW 7 - Nancy Maxwell, Andy Hawley, Jan Miller, Jeff Ott.

ROW 8 - Roger Hard, Mike Patterson, Sue Polhemus, Frank Wilson.

and suddenly it's gone

ROW 1 - Harry Atlick, Barbara Abbott, Jane Adams, Eugene Bacon.

ROW 2 - Carl Andeer, Judy Anderson, Clarke Andreae, Heidi Bader.

ROW 3 - John Archer, Ginger Backus, Karen Alpers, Bob Booz.

ROW 4 - Betsy Bauer, Lynn Benn, Nancy Beier, Henry Baltzerson.

ROW 5 - Bill Bell, Sandy Bennett, Martha Baker, Dave Bahm.

Hordes of industrious, prideful juniors turned out to turn our huge barn-like gym into a bower of beauty. All of them brought with them a single thought: to make this the very best J-Hop that had ever been or ever would be! Some brought real borrowed palms while others made simulated ones to add to the tropical atmosphere of our Hawaiian island. Of course we were disappointed when our plane load of orchids did not arrive, but only momentarily. The day of the big honor dance in mid-May was rainy and dreary; but at the time set for the dance to begin, the weather had turned warm and clear. Every girl sported a new summer formal - and a few new dates. Many boys were attired in white dinner jackets and bermudas to contribute to the tropical setting.

Interweaving garlands of leaves and blossoms into the bamboo enclosure for the band are Jack Mitchell, Linda La Marre, Myrna Moxley, Sūe Tabor, Marilyn Menewisch and Dennis Russell. Leaving to lend a helping hand elsewhere are Jim Maurer, Nancy Maxwell and Jane Mohler.

They liked our J-Hop

As a farewell to our junior year as much as to the departing seniors, we gave a J-Hop that will live a long time in memory. With a Hawaiian Island as the theme, all juniors pitched in; and the little island seemed to materialize before our eyes. With strips of bamboo, piles of old newspapers, a most authentic pool, stacks and clusters of bamboo furniture, borrowed rocks, and everywhere garlands of bright flowers and festoons of vines, the huge bare gym was soon converted into a tropical island with romantic atmosphere. Everyone, the junior hosts and senior guests alike, enjoyed a most glamorous evening.

Row 1 - Terry Bird, Karen Bever, Ronald Beyer, Martha Bielby.

ROW 2 - Christian Bender, Beth Brannach, Marilyn Bishop, Charles Bonnett.

ROW 3 - Fred Bleakley, Janet Bossmann, Linda Boileau, Dick Brown.

ROW 4 - Dave Bird, Barbara Brian, Dick Brenner, Dick Carlson.

ROW 5 - Errol Brisendine, Judy Button, Barbara Clinger, Art Chantler.

ROW 6 - Dale Burrows, Gail Christie, Barbara Busch, Dennis Byers.

ROW 7 - Sharon Byers, Sue Burkhart, Gayle Bristol, Sharon Carroll.

ROW 8 - Roy Campbell, Kirsten Brondum, Joan Boudreau, John Clark.

with our tropical theme

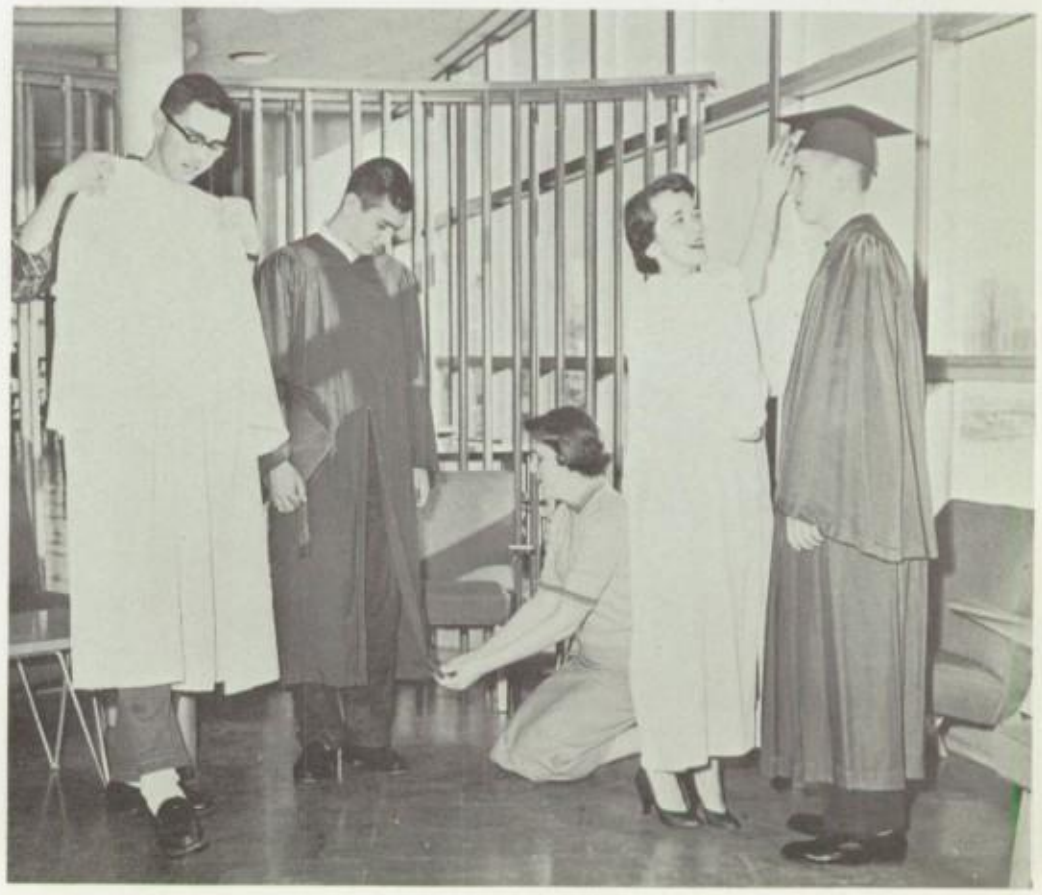
ROW 1 - Mike Conroy, Arlene Dauer, Dave Cook, Bill Davis.

ROW 2 - Nancy Cope, Phyllis Dafoe, Bill Cowgill, Martha Cox.

ROW 3 - Bob Croly, Joanne Cross, Dorothy Collins, Jane Cunningham.

ROW 4 - Mary Ann Curtis, Barbara Dadd, Marilyn Davis, Pat Cornell.

ROW 5 - Jeff Curcuru, Bill Coons, Ann De Hart, Gail Dettlinger.



To achieve perfection for swing out and graduation, every senior had to be measured for his cap and gown. The library was the scene. Coming by homerooms, every one of the over 400 seniors was measured in just two hours. Chris Lewis shows Tom Kelly how to put on his mortarboard while Norma Webb makes an alteration in Mike Nordstrom's gown. Having a really hectic day, Marshall Roe is trying to find a gown to fit his six foot plus frame, thinking even a white one would do—if he could locate one long enough.

Senior clan triumphant

Then came September, and the senior year was at last underway. Naturally the first big project was Field Day, and naturally we HAD to win; "We'll take the high road, and you'll take the low road, and we'll get to victory afore ye" proved a prophetic theme. In tartan plaids we marched and cheered with precision. Grace and fervor marked our Highland Fling. Though our line of march had to be altered due to the sophomores' slow processional, not for a moment did we lose our poise. During the events, we supported Seniors vocally and loyally. The result is history.

ROW 1 - Gary George, Elise Dickerson, Kenneth Gertz, Carol Drinkard.

ROW 2 - Jack Douglass, Nita Ferrill, Pat Feehan, Diane Donovan.

ROW 3 - Jim Ellis, Lynne Easter, Bruce Epker, Kay Elliott.

ROW 4 - Tony Evangelista, Sally Dutton, Sharon Farr, Bob Dremann.

ROW 5 - Mary Fellows, Pat Dennison, Henry Fortenbaugh, Kathy Garrett.

ROW 6 - Stu Frankford, Connie Fetting, Joan Fox, John Foerster.

ROW 7 - Phyllis Frasure, Barclay Gano, Jim Fry, Diane Gardner.

ROW 8 - Frank Gibboney, Janice Eskew, Judy Dodrill, Bill Flajole.

Bagpipes sound victory

ROW 1 - Nancy Gish, Warren Hardy, Maxine Hall, Judy Gray.

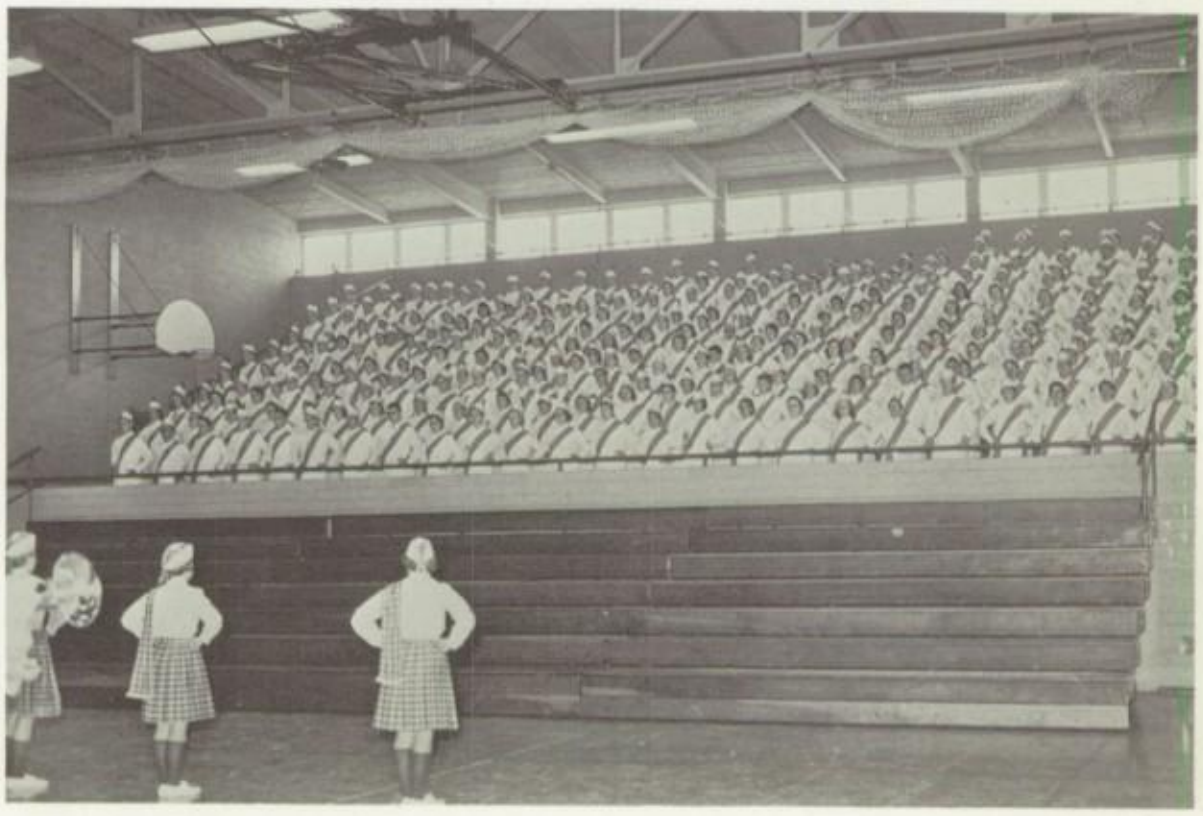
ROW 2 - Stuart Gray, Lynn Griem, Dorothy Green, Judy Goldstein.

ROW 3 - Dick Griffith, Dick Haack, Beverly Hait, Judy Guest.

ROW 4 - Cathy Guziak, Brenda Gross, Mary Goss, Doug Goodfellow.

ROW 5 - Bob Hall, Dale Hanson, Judy Hardin, Mary Ellen Groves.

After four years of striving, the clan of '57 attained its goal—a Field Day victory. The motto, "Triumph by our hand", echoed repeatedly through the gym. Out of a class of over 400 the red tartan plaids were all donned to perfection except one. With the eyes of the juniors and sophomores upon us, we stood silent in perfect formation awaiting the final decision.



They crossed the seas

Long before Field Day was over, we were good friends with our visiting students from beyond the seas. Entering right into the life of the school with us, Hely and Tom and Klaus taught us much about their countries - more than we could ever have acquired from books, pictures and newspapers. Just returned were also our own goodwill ambassadors, Don and Sue. And then there were memories of Margaret and Ek. "Walk together, talk together, all ye peoples of the earth; for then and only then shall ye have peace" had real meaning for all of us. Hely's little Luxembourg, Tom's Portugal, and Klaus's new Germany are infinitely closer to us now.

ROW 1 - Tom Hawblitzel, Peter Harrie, Martha Harrison, Bob Harris.

ROW 2 - Roger Hawkins, Don Hellstrom, Mary Dee Heatherson, Dick Hawkins.

ROW 3 - Dick Henderson, Sandy Helmrich, Jack Heal, Tom Hewitt.

ROW 4 - Allen Henning, Martha Hill, Allen Hildebrand, Helen Hrlic.

ROW 5 - Marshall Hestenes, Bob Hinman, Marcia Hoffstetter, Sue Hindle.

ROW 6 - Paul Hogan, Sally Hibbard, Ginny Horner, Earl Hoppenrath.

ROW 7 - Larry Hower, Sharon Hulbert, Lynne Hulbert, Ray Hill.

ROW 8 - David Hughes, Bryant Hilliard, Paula Hughes, Dick Hubbard.

they found new friends

ROW 1 - Steve Hunter, Nancy Johnson, Carson Janes, Ron Jackson.

ROW 2 - Arnauld Issette, John Kerley, Mary Janes, Nancy Jenkins.

ROW 3 - Bob Isbell, Jim Husted, Sue Ketchum, Phil Kiley.

ROW 4 - Tom Kelly, Peggy Joyner, Sylvia Jones, Elizabeth Ingraham.

ROW 5 - Dick Keier, Dick Johnson, Joan Kidd, Dave Karns.

New cars, old cars, big cars, and little cars moved through the car wash line to be tackled by 20 soap drenched seniors enthusiastically working to raise money for the American Field Service. The A-1 Car Wash was the dream of members of homeroom A-1 and brought to reality Saturday, March 9. Nine dozen cars came out of the new teachers' parking lot shining and clean from white walls to convertible tops. The senior homeroom was proud to announce a net profit of $130.70, all for the AFS. Robin Tillotson models a split yellow rain coat fashioned to protect him against the brisk March winds and icy water. Jim Ellis hides his set of hip boots and fishing pants during his job as brush operator. Hely Heldenstein appears twice her size in a well-padded covering, and Bruce Roberts joins in for the eight hours of scrubbing and rubbing.

Luggage is packed . . .

This year, as in every year, there were the Torch Drive, the variety show, Christmas projects, in all of which the Seniors did their share. But all year long there was something BIG that we were buiding up to. Excitement mounted month by month. Little things like selecting clothes, choosing roommates, added to the thrill just as much as big things like electing officers, organizing committees, rehearsing for the boat shows. Conversation was all of things to do, places to see, itineraries and meetings. Tension grew and anticipation increased. Then at last in mid - April we were on our way! The Washington trip was at last a reality!

ROW 1 - Jim Kraus, Linda Kohlhof, Rita Kortas, Martin Knorr.

ROW 2 - Bill Krause, Stanley Lowell, Arlene Kristola, Raymond Kuhn.

ROW 3 - Sue Leader, Linda La Marre, Judy Krempa, Kathy Lafer.

ROW 4 - Diane Marcks, Diane Martin, John Ley, Donna Lidgey.

ROW 5 - Jeff Life, Janet Ludwig, Sharon Licht, Roberta Martin.

ROW 6 - Peter Loomis, Isabel Macdonald, Dave Lindley, Bill Loye.

ROW 7 - Ann Makemson, Barbara Langley, Carole Markoff, Sue McCombe.

ROW 8 - Pat MacLennan, Janice McAllister, Jim Maurer, Chris Lewis.

Capital Bound at last!

ROW 1 - Larry Milford, Janet McDonald, Anna Mc Lellan, Larry Methner.

ROW 2 - Hugh Mc Queen, Bill Mc Farlen, Carolyn Menewisch, Judy Merideth.

ROW 3 - Frank Michelson, Dick Miller, Marilyn Menewisch, Graeme Miller.

ROW 4 - Edward Miller, Grace Miller, Judy Mitchell, Jean McGregor.

ROW 5 - George Miller, Janet Mitchell, Jerry Millsap, John Merrihew.

Capital Bound is one of the many features of the Washington trip that seniors look forward to. Song words are included so that everyone can join in group singing to while away the long hours on train and boat. Jeff Ott, editor, spent many afternoons with his committee to turn out a good book. Working together in Jeff's recreation room are Mary Lu Pomeroy, Jeff, Nancy Olsen, Jane Mohler, Murphy, Jeff's dog; and Ted Schaefer.

With spring on campus

As winter fled and spring came to the campus, plans for Senior activities blossomed everywhere like the flowers. There were inductions into the Honor Society; we chose six of our best to Who's Who, only student - conferred honor. A few of us were named to Quill and Scroll; some of us earned Gold Key awards for our writing or art. Our best student athlete was named. We knew that soon we would hear who had won scholarships to colleges or universities far and near. Spring sports were in full swing, all of them captained by Seniors. Surely we had come into our own.

ROW 1 - John Mitchell, Phyllis Mitchum, Jane Mohler, Dave Mortimer.

ROW 2 - Renee Moulthrop, Carlo Orlando, Bill Moriarty, Lynda Moorhead.

ROW 3 - Ted Murray, Ginny Naylon, Jill Nethercot, Dick Moxley.

ROW 4 - Mary Mudd, Earl Naas, Vicky Nunneley, Tom Naumann.

ROW 5 - Mike Nordstrom, Judy Nelson, Katherine Mulvey, Judy Neff.

ROW 6 - Jon Overgard, Myrna Moxley, Elaine Palmer, Terry Oldberg.

ROW 7 - Don Odle, Mary Ojala, Wendy Mouw, Barbara O'Connor.

ROW 8 - Rose Ottman, Beverly Ostermyer, Ann Moore, Don Nichols.

senior affairs are here

ROW 1 - Bill Reid, Dave Parnie, Barbara Preston, Bob Peckheiser.

ROW 2 - Carol Peck, Larry Quinn, Mary Lu Pomeroy, Penny Pierce.

ROW 3 - Dick Renchard, Nancy Pollock, Patricia Pepperell, Karen Purnell.

ROW 4 - Mary Porter, Polly Pilditch, Shirley Poppert, Bill Reilly.

ROW 5 - Dick Pratt, Vivien Pike, Linda Palmer, Jeff Peters.

Seniors know that graduation is near when special class affairs get underway. First of these is the Senior Dinner, when the over - 400 members of the class and their guests sit down for what might be called a "family dinner". Here the honors are announced to the Seniors first of all; here are made known the results of the mock election, the Cum Laude students, many scholarship winners, and individual awards. Here Seniors have a good time together, and at last realize how well they know and like each other. Working out details of table arrangements are Sally Hibbard, Sue Ketchum, Barbara Busch and Judy Gray.

In May tempo quickens

And now it is near the end of May, and the pace quickens. Just ahead or just over are some of the most important Senior activities. There's the Senior Dinner, that big family get - together when we hear first all of the Senior Honors: the Cum Laude's, the science and engineering medal winners, who're valedictorian and salutatorian. Then there's Swing Out with the Class of 1957 in long, long rows of white and maroon cap - and - gown - clad Seniors in solemn processional to Pomp and Circumstance. There's Baccalaureate - and finally the impressive and beautiful Commencement. And Senior Year is over for all of us.

ROW 1 - Robert Restrick, Jerry Rennell, Janet Rigby, Ron Rogers.

ROW 2 - Donald Roberts, Marshall Roe, Nancy Rudisill, Alan Rogerson.

ROW 3 - Robert Sawyer, Wendy Ross, Beverly Selters, Ellen Rosselot.

ROW 4 - Stewart Slatkin, Janet Seyferth, Lee Scherer, Ronald Sandberg.

ROW 5 - Gary Schack, Sandy Shukait, Jane Sapala, Tom Segal.

ROW 6 - Bruce Robert, Connie Shroyer, Alice Sawyer, Roy Severs.

ROW 7 - Judie Shafer, Bill Rutten, Marilyn Seymour, James, Schultz.

ROW 8 - Paul Sechrist, Janet Shaffer, Jane Severs, Bill Simpson.

Many of us win honors

ROW 1 - Ted Stanfield, Marilyn Squibb, Jill Smith, Stephan Smallman.

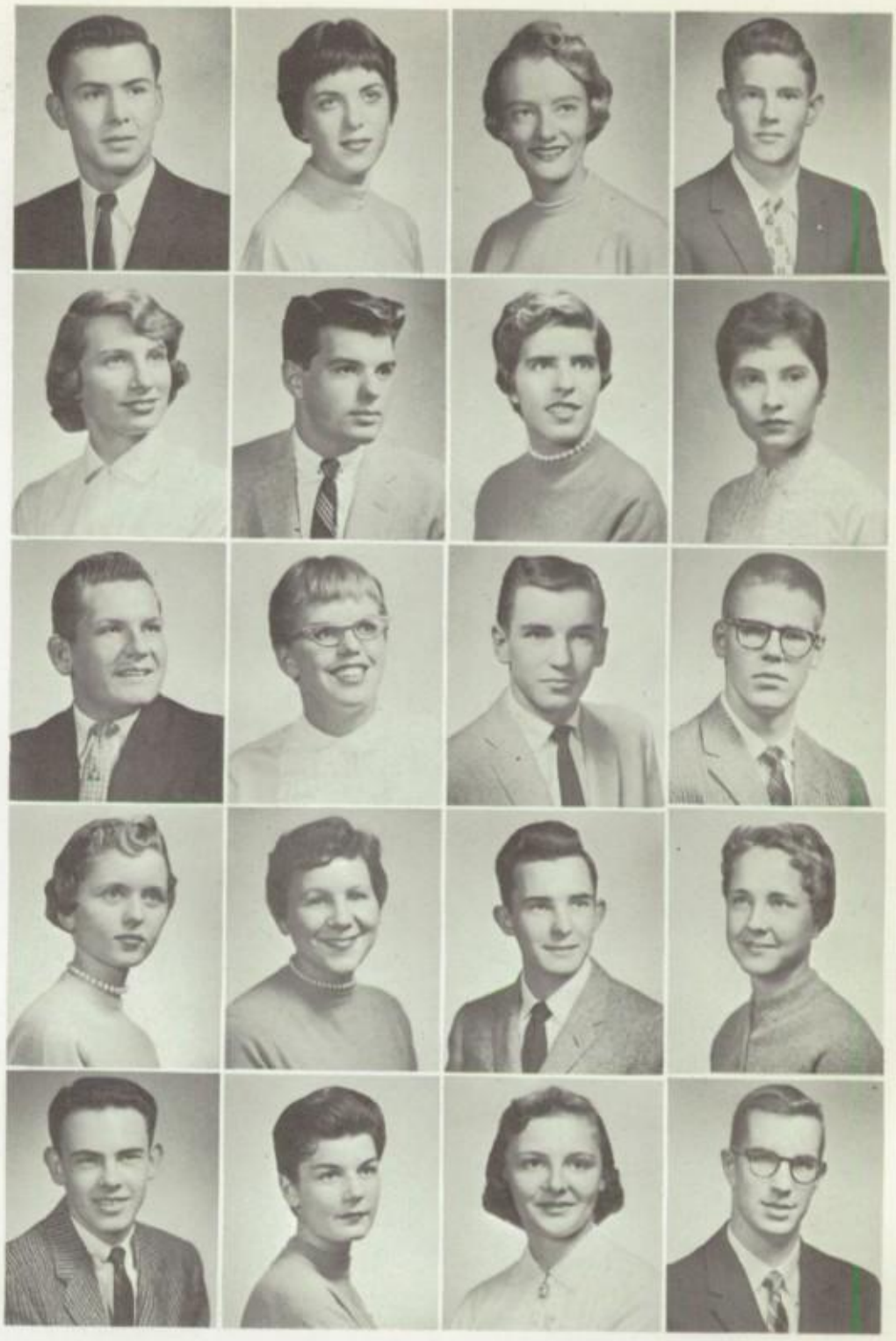
ROW 2 - Jean Spencer, Ken Sproule, Julia Smith, Andrea Southworth.

ROW 3 - Richard Sokol, Ann Spoelstra, Dayton Staschke, Jared Stark.

ROW 4 - Barbara Smith, Gail Strang, Bruce Smith, Patsy Sullivan.

ROW 5 - Bob Smith, Julie Smith, Julie Storch, Doug St. John.

With the distinction of being a senior comes the privilege of legally skipping school. Early June brings Skip Day at Camp Ohiyesa. Swimming, boating, baseball, and of course eating, are enjoyed. The seniors usually return to school with aching muscles and painful sunburn, but all agree it is well worth it. Leaving school in the early morning Barclay Gano, Lynne Easter, Tom McDaniel, and Judy von-Rosen anticipate the fun and fellowship of Skip Day.



With fond mem'ries, we

And then there's the Afterglow. There is much in the future to beckon and promise. Stored away in memory are all the events, the laughter and the tears, that made the year memorable. And lest these memories, too, dim with passing years, there is The Piper, repository of triumphs and defeats, record of friendships, of times that were gay and glad: Story of the Class of '57 and all the people who went to Birmingham High School with us. There is the Memory Record to bring back to us the cheers of Field Day, the voices of our friends, Hely and Tom; the strains of The Birmingham Marching Song, and the nostalgic music of our Alma Mater.

ROW 1 - David Stiles, George Sweet, Barbara Taylor, John Toomey.

ROW 2 - Edward Stutz, Gail Teschke, Warne Todd, Leo Vigi.

ROW 3 - Elizabeth Thomson, Tom Thorson, Judy Van Every, Ron Thurston.

ROW 4 - Ken Valentine, Robin Tillotson, Judith Vander Pyl, Barbara Turcott.

ROW 5 - John Thurber, Bonnie Wasson, James Tuyn, Jean Vandekerck.

ROW 6 - Dick Trzcinski, Roger Strong, Anne Tewilliager, Edith Trzos.

ROW 7 - Thomas Usher, Grace Wagner, Mike Tolle, Judy Walker.

ROW 8 - Donald Walsh, Linda Walker, Dick Tieman, Tom Taylor.

think about future plans

ROW 1 - Jim Yeomans, Brenda Whiting, Don Zimmermann, Dick Weiner.

ROW 2 - Norma Webb, Bill Wiggins, Dick Whittemore, Alison Woodhouse.

ROW 3 - Ron Zaino, John Walker, Connie Zekit, Karen Wilson.

ROW 4 - Pete Ritchie, Bill Wisely, Nancy White, Sally Wells.

ROW 5 - Jim Whaling, Karen Weaver, Mary Kristek, Bill Yogus.

Swing Out is a resume of our four years of high school life. Because it is our last group activity, we are especially anxious for it to be a success. Through experience, however, we realize that success can be attained only by hard work. The processional, when we first appear in cap and gown, makes an impressive picture. Susie Hindle, Andy Hawley, Bill Wiggins, Connie Zekit, Nancy Maxwell, and Paul Hogan show how it's done.

Don Thalacker

Every few years there comes along a person who is destined for something great, something outstanding. Don Thalacker perfectly embodies that person in character, integrity, and leadership. Looking over Don's high school accomplishments, one can't help thinking the person who created Who's Who had Don in mind. President of Student Congress, president of his junior class, and American Field Service exchange student are only a few of the achievements that construct one of the finest records in BHS history.

Wonderful, flowing adjectives and quaint, droll sayings would only dull the luster that has been so painstakingly polished to the point where it attracts attention wherever Don goes. When a job must be done, Don is aways ready to help. In a Congress committee meeting, the center of attraction will usually be Thals; or in a talk over student problems with an advisor — it's all part of Don's never ending stream of contributions to help his school.

Don holds the respect and admiration of all who know him, students and teachers alike, for he is the type of person one just can't help liking. A sincere earnest guy, Thals will not soon be forgotten, for his unselfish service has carved his niche in Birmingham's Who's Who forever.

Beverly Ford

An unassuming manner, deep consideration for others, and strong devotion to duty make Beverly Ford a truly great "Who's Who". Her character speaks for itself through the quiet warmth of her eyes and smile; her leadership is indicated in the numerous honors and offices bestowed upon her, among them, the cherished title of Miss DAR.

In four years, Bev's name has become almost synonymous with loyal service. Making posters, directing water ballet acts, leading cheers, and attending countless committee meetings are all a part of her regular routine. A perfectionist at heart, she works willingly and unselfishly, creating something beautiful in all she touches.

Although greatly admired for the lady-like poise of her friendliness, Bev maintains a humility of spirit that has earned her deep respect from her teachers and contemporaries. She seems unaware of the depth of her talents, unaware of the far-reaching extent of her popularity. She is never too busy to be sympathetic, never too active to be helpful.

Bev's sincerity and integrity will always be remembered by those who know her, and we are sure that her steadfastness will be serving as an example to others for years to come.

Mary Burkman

A sparkling smile, a friendly hello, these are the things a person notices when meeting Mary Burkman for the first time.

But never could all her characteristics be realized in one moment. Mary's loyalty is that of a lifelong friend. She is in reality what she appears to be; she is sincere and honest in her contacts with others.

Everyone enjoys working on an activity or committee with Mary Burkman. Her sense of humor and optimistic attitude make the task seem pleasant; but people know, too, that with Mary's hard work and deep sense of responsibility, the job will be completed most efficiently.

Mary is a leader. She served her class and school as senior class secretary, representative to Girls' State, and vice president of the Student Congress.

But her interest extends beyond her school life. Mary was awarded a gold cross by her church for her superior work as assistant to the director of the children's choirs.

Mary truly deserves the coveted honor of Who's Who. But despite this honor, Mary will still keep her most important attribute - humility.

Paula Struck

Considering every criterion we set up for the all round girl, Paula emerges as a dream come true . . . sincere . . . loyal . . . modest . . . friendly . . . attractive . . . interested. Add whatever words we will to complement this list, roll them all together, separate them, and we still come up with Paula.

Paula loves her school and is completely devoted to it. She has evidenced a keen interest in all school activities and has followed this interest by doing her part - and more - to make organizations in our school run smoothly. She is co-captain of the Varsity cheerleaders, a loyal fan and a good leader.

Her work as chairman of the American Field Service has been outstanding. She has taken sole charge of the exchange student program and its financing. Paula sparked the drive for raising funds for next year's AFS activities. The response to her appeal was overwhelming, and more than enough money was collected to assure the success of next year's program.

Paula loves to be active, at school and at home. In her spare time she swims, skis, and skates. Her energy is boundless.

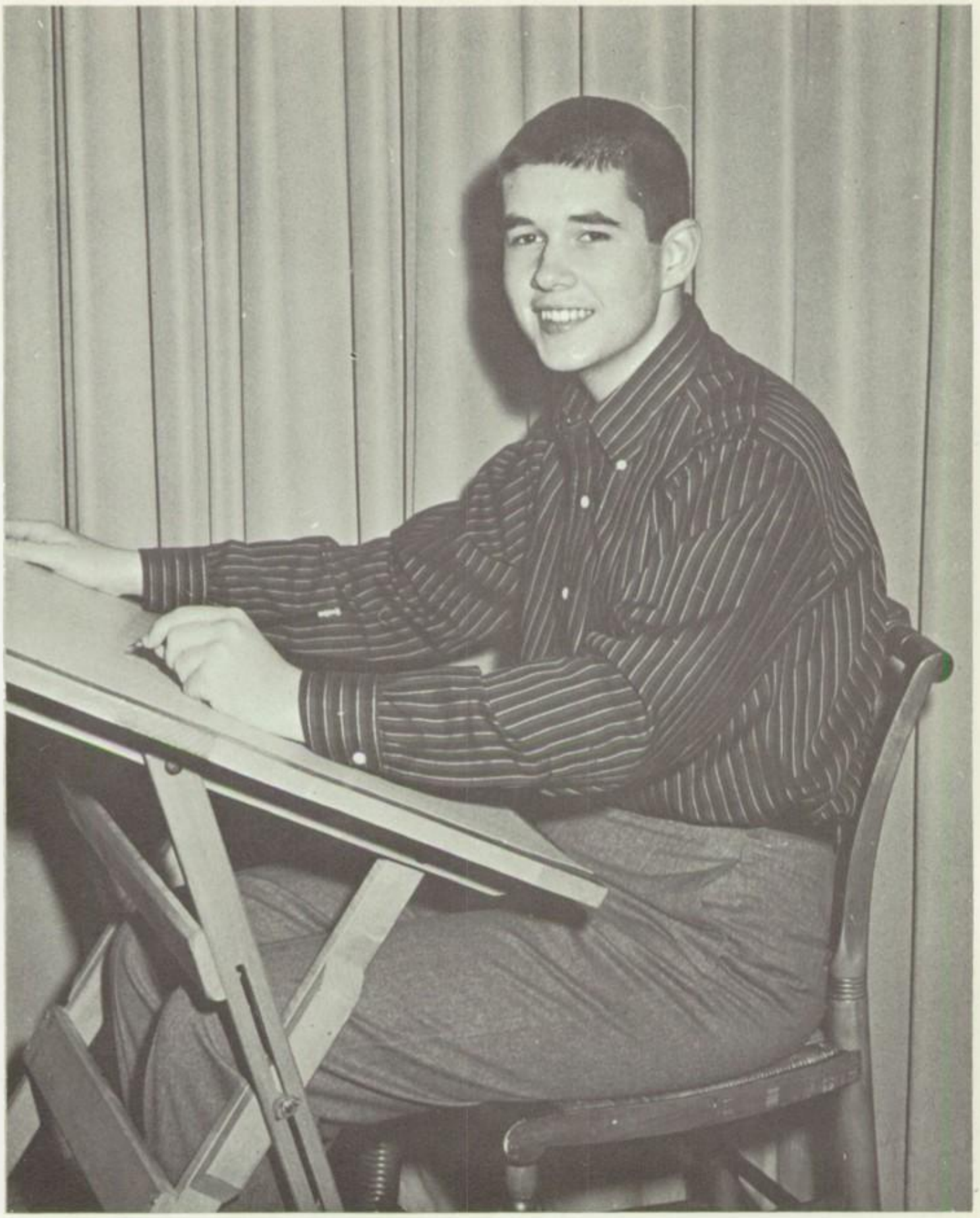
Paula's spontaneous smile, her unwavering love for her school, and her loyalty to its ideals are evidenced in her every action. She radiates joy, happiness, and warmth, and is deserving of her place on the Who's Who roster.

Sue Tabor

It is a rare thing to see Sue Tabor standing still in one spot; for Tib is a bundle of energy. Whenever there is any kind of work, whether it is big or small, Tib is always there ready to pitch in and help.

It is a wonder that Tib finds time to do all the things that she does so well. Last summer she lived in Finland as an American Field Service exchange student. She also served the school as secretary of Student Congress. Whenever Peoscenium gives a play, Tib can always be found doing something, whether it's acting or directing. If Tib was asked about all the things she does, she wouldn't want to talk about them; for above all things, Tib is humble.

Tib is a lover of nature, of people, of the theatre, of all the activities that engage her interest. This is why she is such a success, for she has what it takes. Her heart is light and full of fun, while her attitude toward life is a mixture of humor and seriousness. She's Birmingham's own Tib.



Kem Hogan

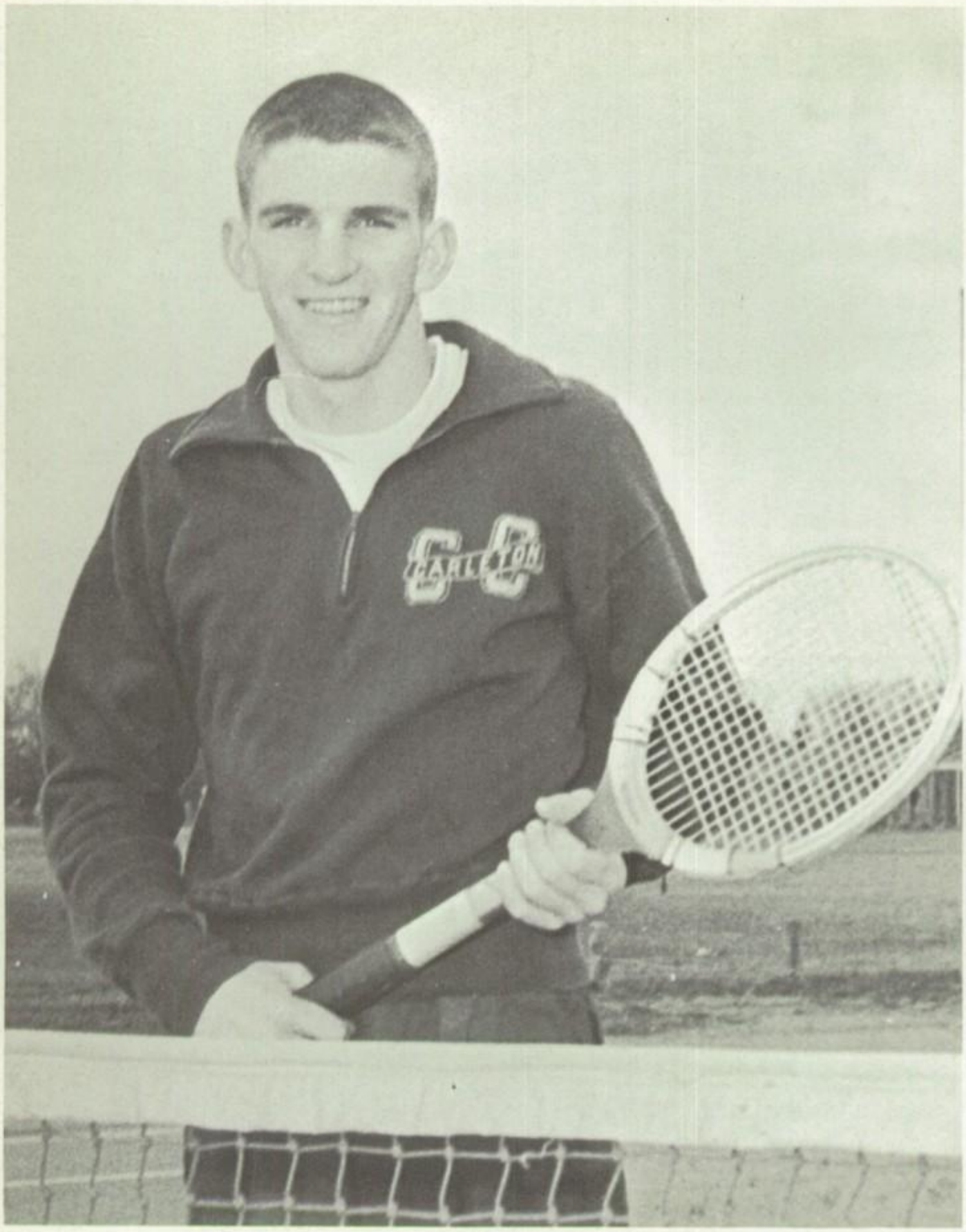
A keen mind, sharp wit, and ability to understand - these are characteristics of Kem Hogan.

Calm and sincere, Kem unselfishly rendered his services to BHS. No job is too big or too small for Kem to tackle in his easygoing, optimistic manner. The J-Hop, Field Day, and Swing-Out became realities under his careful directions. Each he executed with the skill of an experienced leader.

Handling money is old stuff for Kem, too. As treasurer of the junior class, Assembly Club, and Proscenium, he kept the books with the smoothness and accuracy of a bank teller.

Kem's high scholastic average has certainly gained him the respect of his classmates. Membership in National Honor Society attests to his high character, integrity, and leadership, each of which earned him the office of president.

Yet Kem is never too busy to understand. All those who know him regard him as one of their friends. He takes a rightful place in this year's Who's Who. Four years of hard work well done earned him this honor.



Dave Cook

The Johnson Memorial Award is a tribute in memory of former athletic director and Coach George F. Johnson. It goes to the senior boy who best combines scholarship with athletics. Dave Cook is the first one-sport athlete in 18 years to receive this award. Quentin Brelsford, 1939, being the first one-sport athlete. Cooker was one of the three nominated for the award by a committee composed of the athletic director, all coaches of boys' sports, and representatives of Varsity Club and sportswriters. The final selection was made by the honorary board.

Dave has earned four varsity letters in swimming, two at East Grand Rapids and two here where he was co-captain of the swimming team.

He has two recreational sports which he also does very well. They are bowling and tennis. Although Dave didn't try out for the tennis team, he is probably of varsity caliber. He is a member of National Honor Society and has a B+ average.

Ann Gardner

Bob Hohmeyer

One of the few, the immortal names that were not born to die

Working long hours after school is a must for anyone expecting to earn a Quill and Scroll award. The Highlander and Piper staffs must spend much time after school as both Piper and paper are offset publications and can't be done on one hour a day.

Journalists earn their honors

Election to Quill and Scroll, the International Honor Society for High School Journalists, is one of the highest honors earned by students.

To qualify for Quill and Scroll, the student must be in the upper quarter of his class, have done distinguished work on publications, and be of good character.

Candidates lacking a single qualification, such as scholarship or length of service are recommended for editorial, business, or creative writing awards.

The gold key award to Quill and Scroll members is the only high school award that may be worn on a college campus.

Very little glory is won by publications workers because those are behind-the-scenes jobs. The honor goes to those who have distinguished themselves in this field, and it is always a hard-earned honor.

Students are recommended by the adviser to Quill and Scroll at the Society headquarters at Northwestern University, where they are approved for the award.

The publications luncheon in the spring is in honor of Quill and Scroll members. National school yearbook pins and the Diamond Star award, earned by the most valuable publications worker, are announced at the luncheon.

The honor of election to Quill and Scroll this year goes to Tom McDaniel, Jan Miller, Linda La Marre, Abby Sweeney, Judy von Rosen, and Nancy Maxwell. Editorial awards go to Mike Conroy, Vicky Nunneley, Jeff Ott, Chris Lewis, and Andy Hawley. Ted Schaefer earns a creative writing award. Absent from the picture are Sue Booker, Quill and Scroll; Jean Spencer and Brian Deans, business awards.

NHS honors consistent work

Members of National Honor Society are selected on the basis of character, leadership, scholarship and service. The election is made by teachers with members of the Society also having a voice. Not more than 15 per cent of any graduating class may be elected, and not more than ten per cent of any junior class. The Birmingham chapter has never elected more than seven per cent of juniors.

To be eligible candidates, juniors must have maintained a 3.2 average, and seniors a 3.0 average .When a student is inducted, he pledges himself to uphold the standards set by the Society.

Birmingham inducts new members in the spring of the year in a special ceremony in an assembly, followed by a reception and tea planned in honor of new members. Other activities of the Birmingham active chapter are the annual picnic, Valentasia, a dance; and the conducting of a tutoring service.

After the induction ceremony new and old members of the Society meet in the Maple Room for a reception and tea honoring inductees and their parents. At the reception all new members are congratulated and made welcome. Sally Hanson and Jan Miller serve coffee and cookies to Carol Bain, Mrs. Slater, Mary Slater, Mr. Slater, Dr. Green, Mrs. Green and Pat Henny.

ROW 1 - Barbara Hobart, Lynne Easter, Connie Gordon, Barbara Dadd, Peggy Joyner, Janet Mitchell, Judy Hardin, Sandra Muir, Carol Peck; ROW 2 - Martha Cox, Carol Drinkard, Ellen Rosselot, Sue Ketchum, Susie Hindle, Judy Krempa, treasurer; Kem Hogan, president; Sally Hanson, secretary; Mickey Michaels, vice president; Martha Hill, historian; Bev Ford, Nancy Stewart, Mary Roberts; ROW 3 - Pete Brink, Sally Ann Pope, Lynne Hulbert, Jane Severs, Judy Austin, Kay Mabley, Pat Fuller, Gerry Barinoff, Ann Moore, Nancy Hagen, Carol Bain, Carol Green, Mary Ellen Bleakley, Lois Bernitt, Dave Muhlitner; ROW 4 - Carol Williams, Julie Storch, Dorothy Rodgers, Pat Henny, Carol Decker, Judy von Rosen, Jim Pass, John Shreves, Brian Deans, Tom Thorson, Pete Loomis, Vivien Pike, Sue Tabor, Kathy Zabriskie, Louise Cataldo, Joyce Schrage; ROW 5 - Sue Polhemus, Barbara Abbott, Judy Walker, Linda La Marre, Ginny Naylon, Janet Rigby, Tom McDaniel, Jim Maurer, Fred Finkenauer, Dave Randolph, Steve Surridge, Dave Karns, Dave Stiles, Jan Miller, Betty Nichols, Mary Slater; ROW 6 - Harry Altick, Jared Stark, Janet Mc Donald, Janice Eskew, Judy Dodrill, Clarke Andreae, Mike Sommer, Dick Boyd, Barclay Gano, D'Arline De Jongh, Ann Spoelstra, Bryant Hilliard, Jim Bain, Ran Hamner, Marshall Hestenes, Frank Wilson.

We look forward to his return

While returning from a teachers' conference at St. Mary's Lake a year and a half ago, George Miller Jr., a social studies teacher, was badly injured in an automobile accident.

Mr. Miller is popular, both with students and other teachers. His smile and booming voice were familiar to everyone. How many running students were stopped in their tracks by his Halt!

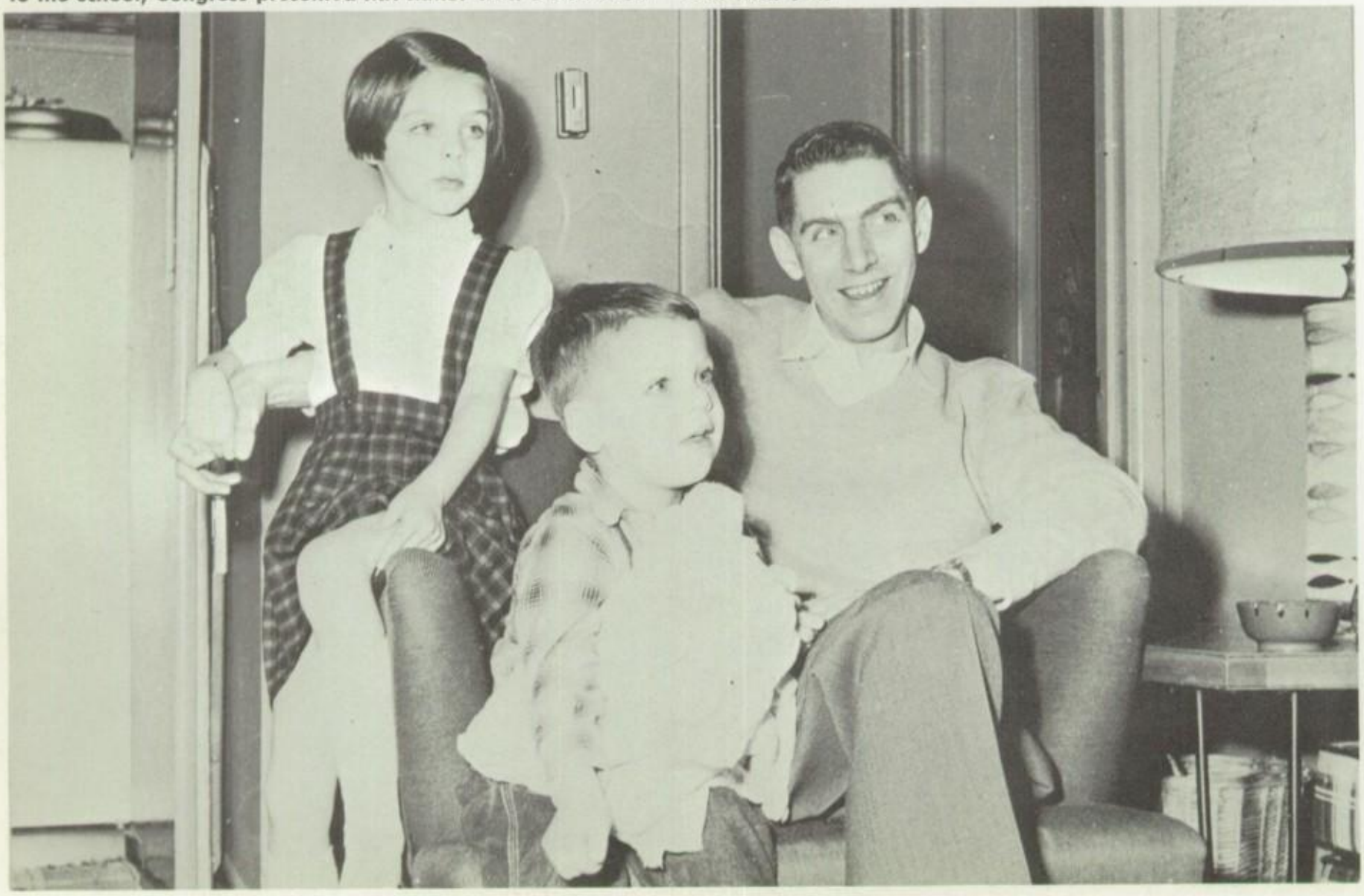
For over four months Mr. Miller was in an Albion hospital in critical condition with a crushed leg. In April he was moved to William Beaumont Hospital. Kept well-informed of school news by his many visitors, Mr. Miller remained a part of school life.

After he had spent 13 months in hospitals, doctors found it necessary to amputate his leg.

After as much financial assistance as possible had been extended, a community drive on his behalf was planned to ease the burden of his expenses and to thank him in a small way for his contribution to Birmingham youth. A George Miller Day was proclaimed during which over 6000 dollars was collected. Then late-contributions boosted the fund to over 8000 dollars.

In the spring, men teachers got the idea of helping Mr. Miller by painting his house. Mr. Gibson, Mr. Pappas, Mr. Myers and Mr. Newcomb, all good friends of Mr. Miller, were on hand to help out. Many other odd jobs for the family were done by teachers in Mr. Miller's absence.

Mr. Miller was adviser of Student Congress before his accident and hospitalization. Happy moments of his year in the hospital were those spent with his family. The Miller Fund assisted the family throughout the year. For his service to the school, Congress presented Mr. Miller with a television set for his children Lindsey and Laura. Finally after many months, Mr. and Mrs. Miller and their children are together. Mr. Miller has visited the school several times since his discharge from the hospital. He hopes to be back at Birmingham next fall.

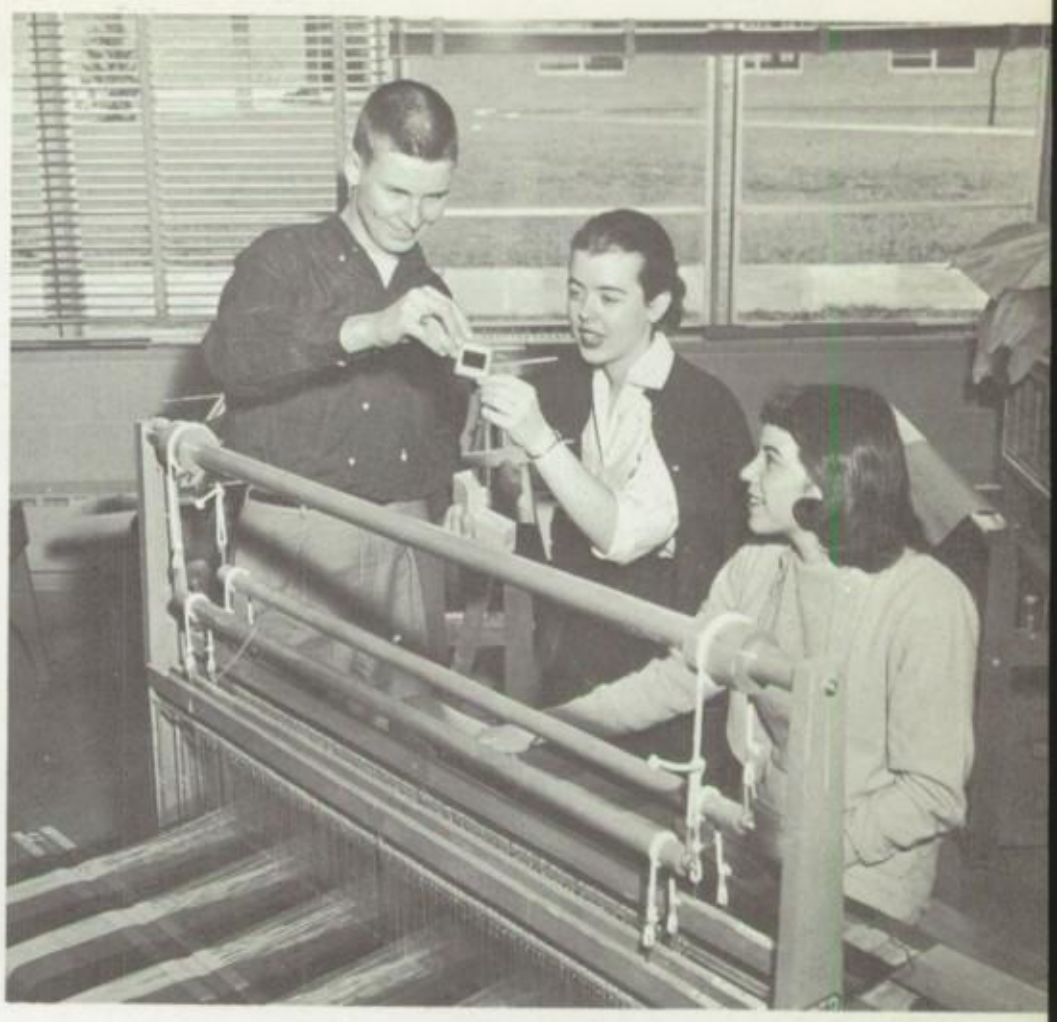


Talented students earn keys

The Southeastern Michigan writing and art contest sponsored by Scholastic Magazines is open to students in public, private, and parochial schools in grades 7 through 12. The local co-sponsors in the Southeastern Michigan region are a Detroit department store and the Detroit News.

Certificates of merit and gold keys are awarded to students with outstanding work in the local contest. Gold achievement keys, dictionaries, and certificates are presented to the key winners. The art exhibits winning gold keys are sent to Pittsburgh for judging in the national contest while the gold key winners for writing are sent to New York for the national contest.

Different companies throughout the country award a total of 20,000 dollars and 130 scholarships in prizes to the various national winners.



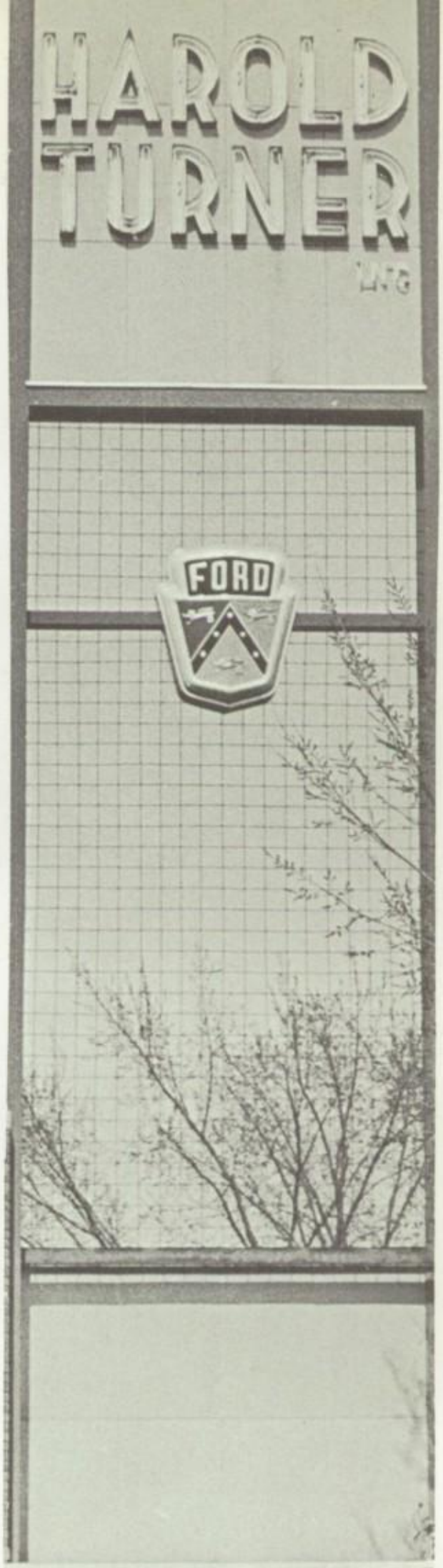
Three gold keys were awarded to Birmingham High School art students. Judy Hardin won her gold key for weaving blue wool tweed material for a suit; Karen Purnell received hers for woven suit material of green wool tweed. Bruce Robert won his gold key for ectachrome 35 millimeter color transparent slides. He also received a certificate of merit last year for color transparencies.

Writing awards went to four students in 1957. Sally Hanson received three gold keys for entries in poetry, literary article, and one-act play. Warren Hardy's feature story won a gold key, while Bill O'Toole's won honorable mention. Mike Conroy's sports story won commendation.

That's the Maple Spirit !

In Looking and Longing

Our merchants and business men are aware of the buying power of the teenage market. They see us holding our own jobs, saving and spending our own money, learning the value of the dollar. They advertise in our publications because they consider such advertising a wise investment. They know that when we shop we will try to shop wisely and stop to consider prices in terms of hours worked. Learning to fit into the economy of our city and nation - to work, save and spend - is a true expression of the Maple spirit.



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Keith's Barber Shop

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Sodas, sundaes and ice cream taste good on a hot summer day. Carol Decker, Carol Moody and Margo Mensing find this is especially true after a strenuous tennis game.

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One dozen American beauty roses is the perfect way to say Happy Mother's Day to the one you love. Linda and Mary Burkman honor their mother with a gift from Birmingham Flowers.

While on the ski trail there is nothing nicer than a warm ski sweater from Knut Erichsen's. Thinking over the enjoyable day and glad that they haven't broken any bones, Mike Nordstrom and Tony Evangelista prepare for another day on the slopes.

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Wondering who her new neighbors will be, Julia Smith ponders over the For Sale sign.

Every member of the family reads The Birmingham Eccentric. Each week it consists of many sections, always enough to go around. The Bain family enjoys the local news. Jim follows the excellent sports coverage; Mrs. Bain searches for advertisements of shopping bargains; Mr. Bain checks the latest developments in the business world; Carol scans current fashions, and Dick learns of the adventures of his grade school friends.

The Birmingham Eccentric

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Any fellow would like to stand on the corner and watch Nancy Olsen and Jane Mohler go by in their stylish summer frocks.

Schutz Motor Sales

DESOTO - PLYMOUTH DEALER

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912 S. Woodward at Hunter

Birmingham, Michigan

Lunch time, snack time, anytime -- people are invited to come and get it at the Chuckwagon Drive-in. John Hyde, Sue Leahy, Pete Jackson, Peggy Bruce, Bruce McDonald, Ann Cope, Ronnie Russek, Peggy Nothoff and Jeff Life find this a best way to have fun and a good meal.

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Birmingham, Michigan

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268 West Maple

Wabeek Building

Birmingham

MI. 6-1166

Looking well dressed plays an important part in the role of a gentleman. In a smart crewneck sweater and wool slacks, Art Chantler proves manners are also still the mark of a gentleman as he opens the door for Sue Smith.

The Gun Shop

Occasional Furniture

Greeting Cards

Leather Goods

Lamps

Bar Accessories

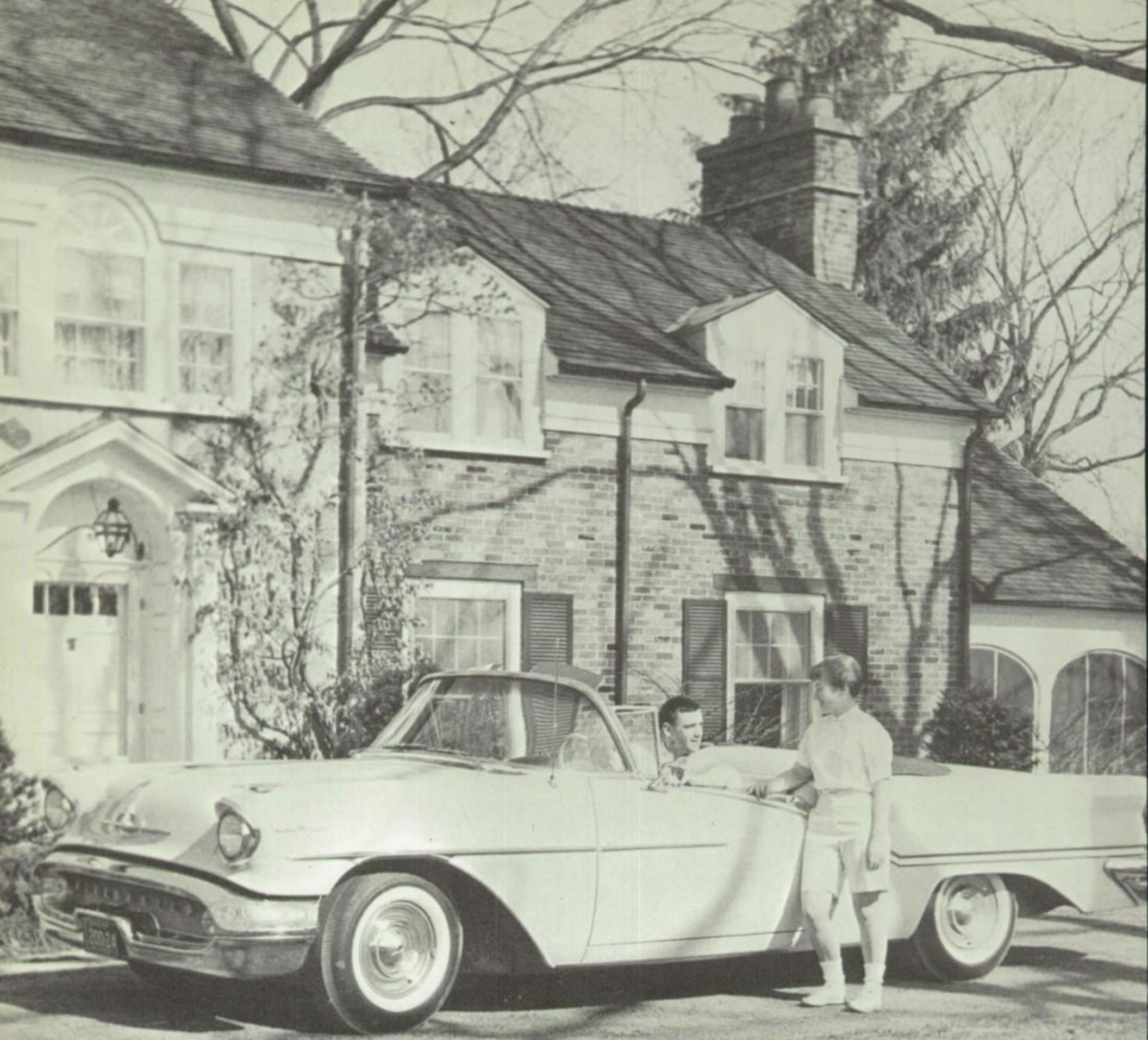
Silver

Jewelry

Wanted - - - Old Guns

526 N. Woodward

Examining an antique bell in the Gun Shop are Barb Cueny and Larry Hower. They enjoy browsing around in this shop in which a variety of furniture, lamps, silver, leather goods, and greeting cards are offered.



With the delightful spring weather and the blossoming of the flowers, come the convertibles. It's then a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of - nice, long rides through the lovely countryside with a lovely girl. John Bonds stops by for Grace Wagner to go for a spin.

Wagner Oldsmobile Co.

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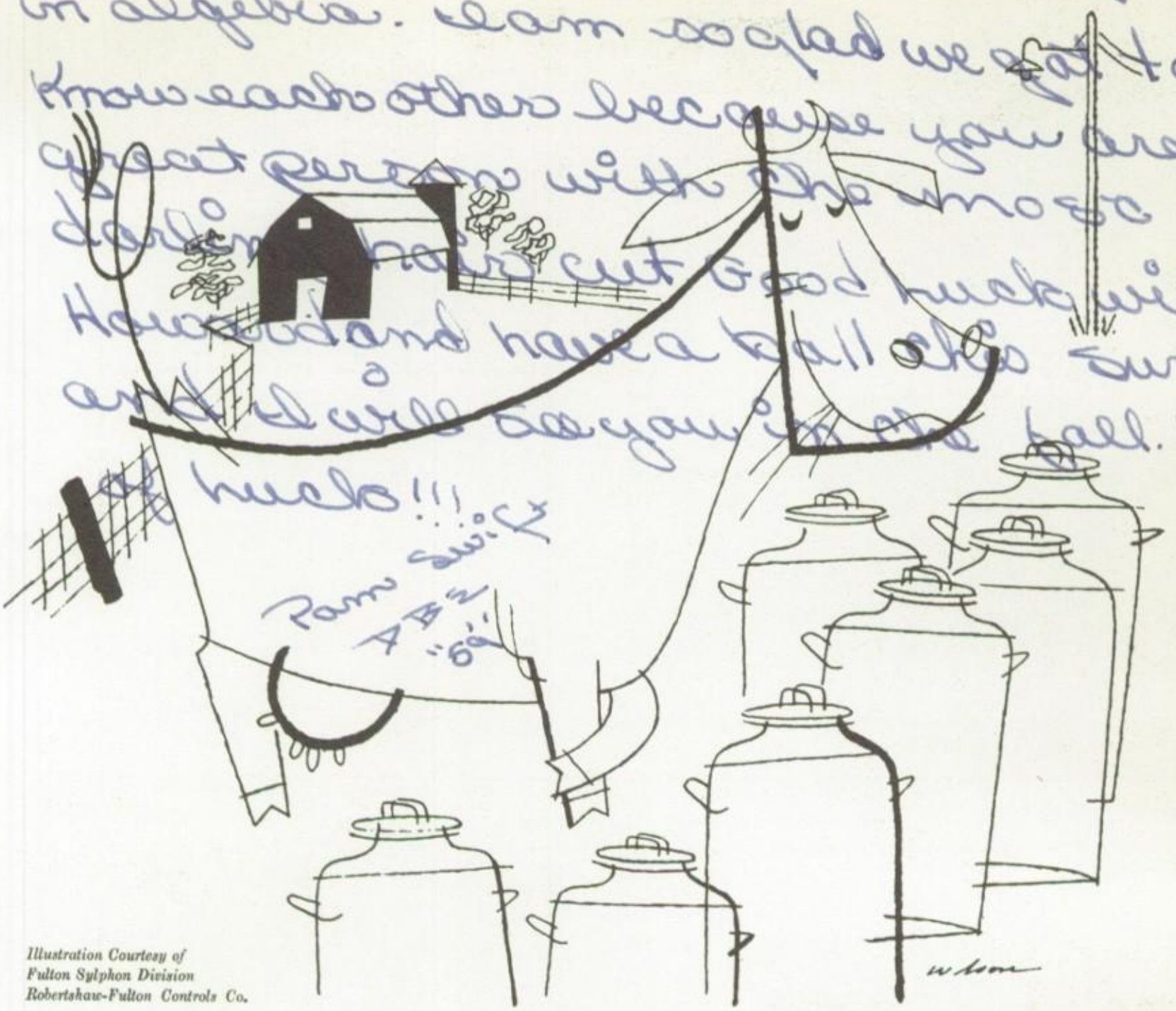
Detroit, Michigan


Joyce -
I couldn't have ask for a better friend in algebra. I am so glad we got to know each other because you are a great person with the most
Have a good hair cut good luck with
and have a ball this summer
and I will see you in the fall. Good's
luck!!!
Room switch
A B
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Working at Edison, there's challenge in the very air you breathe. It's logical. This is a growing company in a growing industry. And growth always creates problems. This is also a pioneering company, constantly challenging the accepted ways of doing things.

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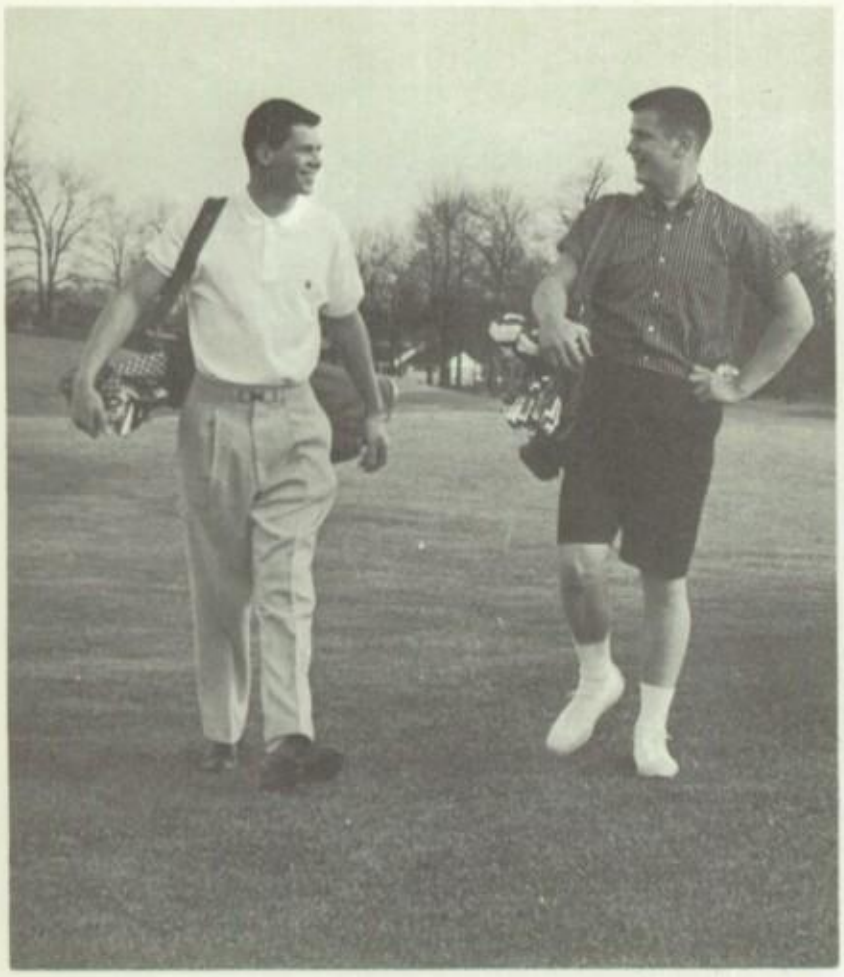
THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY



Golf is a popular summer sport. Greg Ruddy and Jim Yeomans wear the most popular garb for those rolling greens and fairways.

Bermuda Shorts by Parkton

Life-O-Ease Slacks

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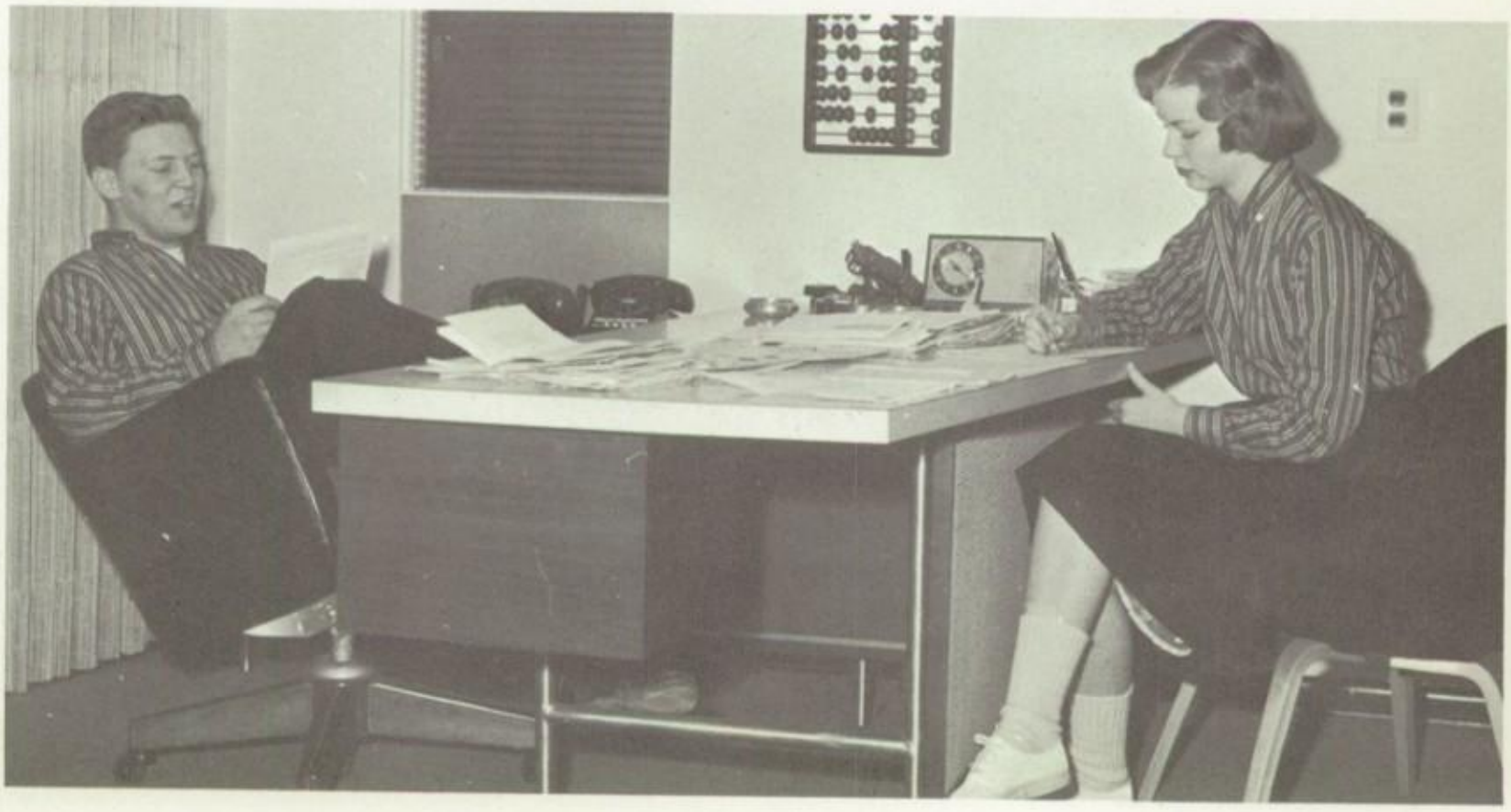

Ritter's delivers all kinds of party supplies quickly and sets them up for service. Judy von Rosen and Abby Sweeney found this out when they were planning their party.

RITTER'S BEVERAGES

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Franklin Village

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Far-away places with fascinating names attract would-be travelers Mary Haldane and Marv Slater, who look over folders at the Birmingham Travel Service.

There's nothing like a belly buster with all the variety and trimmings for a quick pickup after a long day at school, and Peter Pan has the know how to make the biggest and best. Ready to dig in are Diane Hodge and Dave Eldridge.

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Leaving her dog Butch at the Jagersbo Kennels, Pat Henny expects to find a well mannered and well groomed dog when she returns from her vacation.

SUBURBAN MOTORS - OLDSMOBILE

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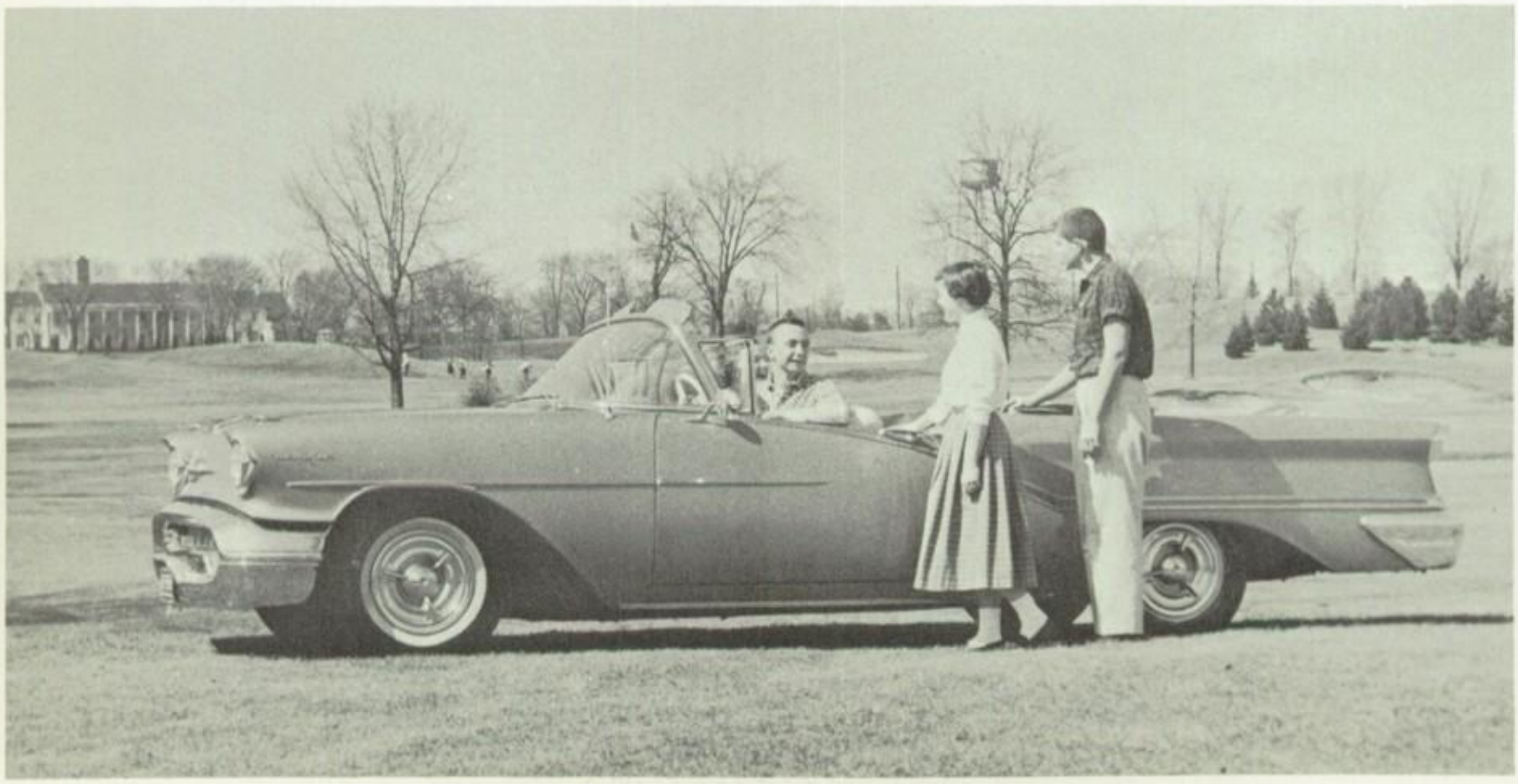
MI. 4-4440

The reason tor those happy smiles of Pat Berry and Sarah Hogan is obvious. Who wouldn't want to be in that new 1957 Oldsmobile? Also counting themselves lucky, Bev Ford and Kem Hogan are about to step into the car.



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Beautifully wrapped gifts are just one of the services of La Belle's Gift Shop. Ann Makemson is pleased by the appreciation Ruthann Huffman expresses.

We'd like to plant a seed for a Pot of Good Luck.
Salesmen: Don Thalacker at the top and Bob Benson below

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For Young Men

237 Pierce

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Nuts, nuts, and more nuts and candy all from Kar Nut Products Company. Ginger Backus, Judy Krempa, and Judy Dodrill wait for their order to complete their party refreshments.

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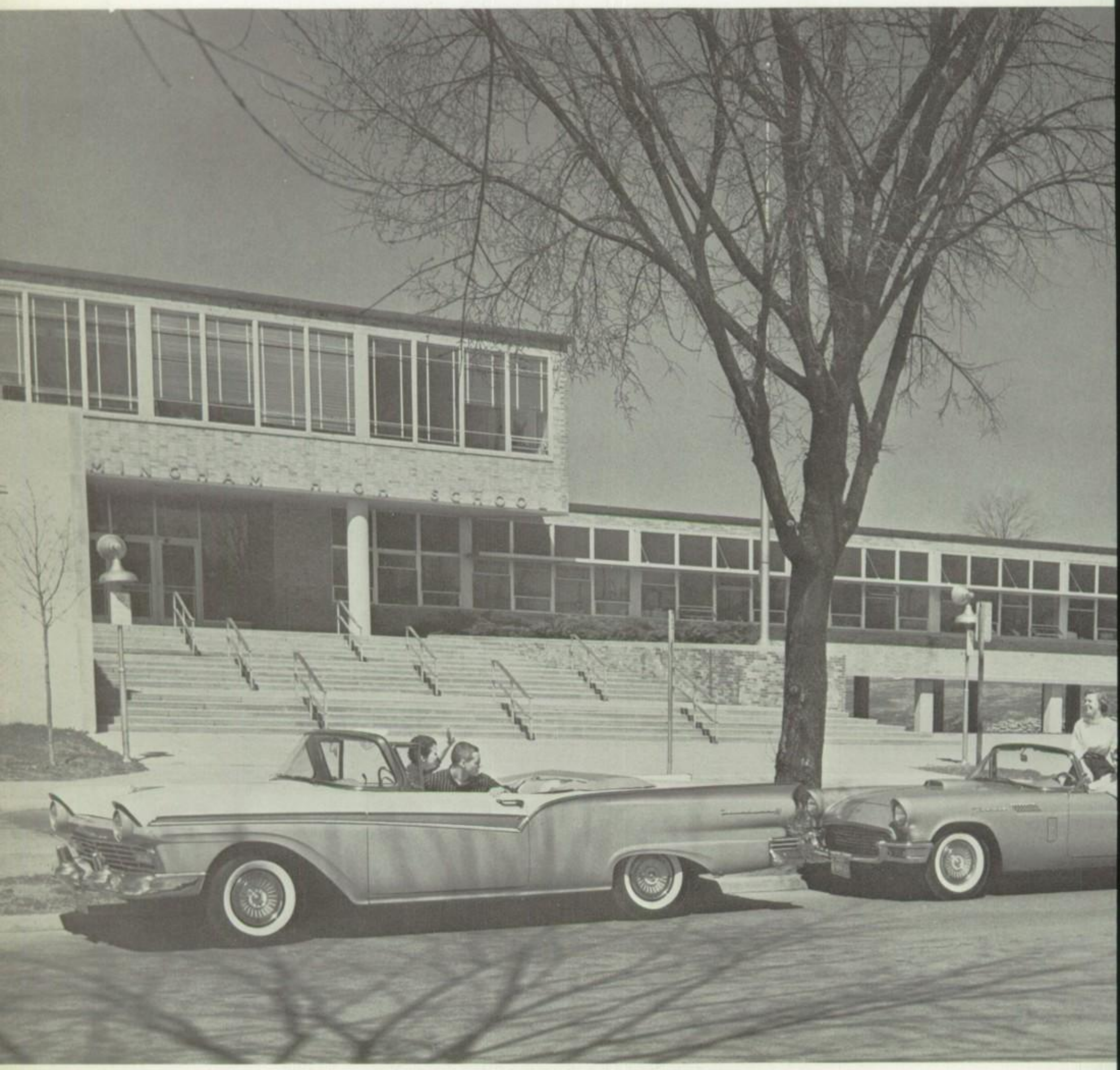
Pearl's is our favorite spot for Chinese-American food. Nancy Doherty and Punch LeMessurier enjoy egg fu yung prepared in authentic Cantonese fashion by Pearl's own chefs.

We're young-minded, too . . .



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24 hour service

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FOR THAT SPECIAL ONE

FLOWERS

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FOR ALL OCCASIONS

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928 South Woodward Ave.

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Jantzen Matching Swim Suits,

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Admiring both the canary and Dave Mortimer's attire, Myrna Moxley completes the other half of the matching outfit.

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Admiring the display in the window of Max Broock Inc. are Chris Carlson and Steve Pew. The beautiful homes are examples of the real estate offered by that company.

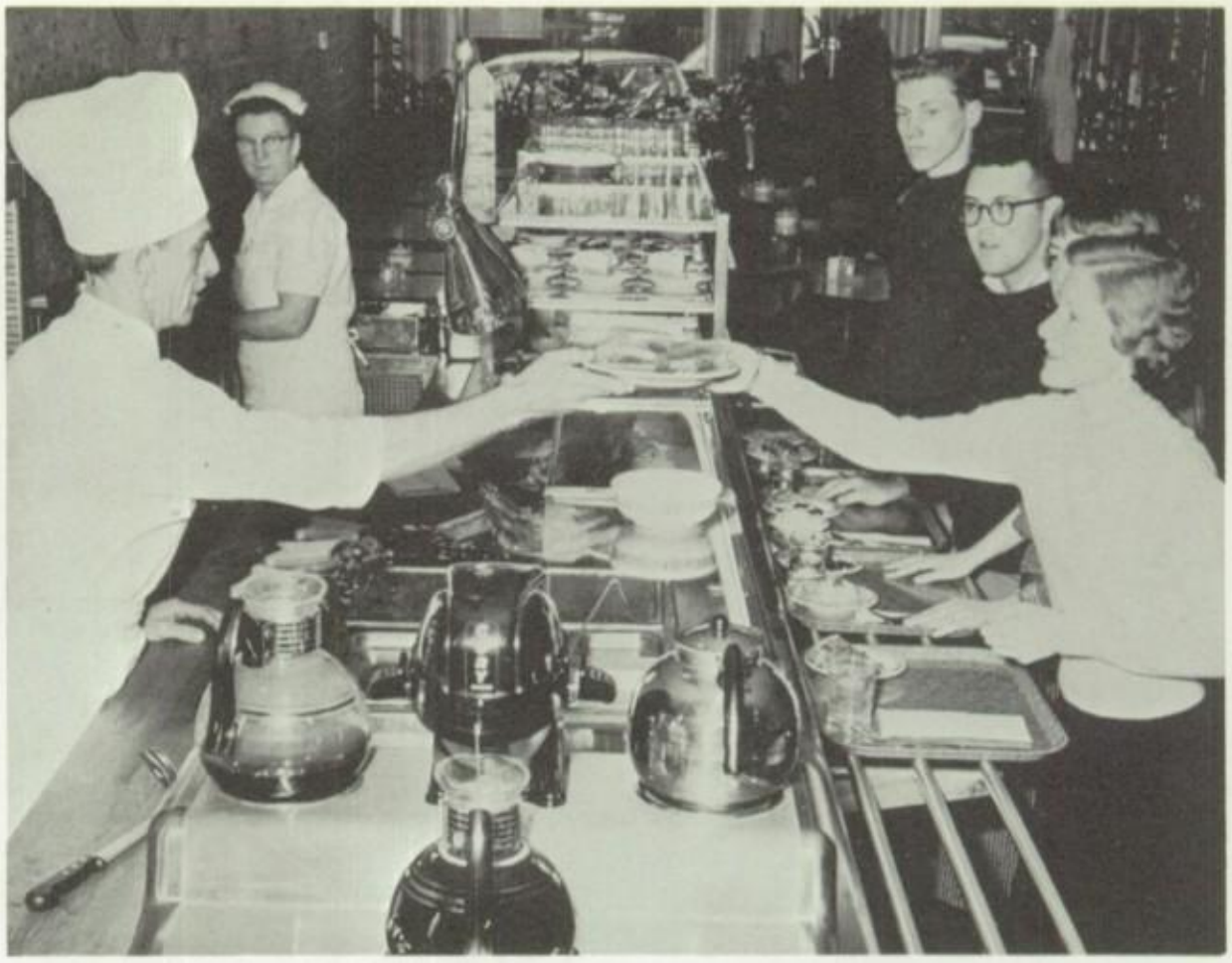
Best wishes for happiness and prosperity to the class of '57 from all of us here at

Monahan's Beef Buffet

675 E. Maple Rd.

Birmingham

Distinctive catering for all kinds of parties, meetings, luncheons, and dinners.



Hearty hot beef sandwiches served by the chefs of Monahan's Beef Buffet are the favorite dish of Sue Burkhart, Isabel Mac Donald, Jeff Ott, and Jack Lackner. Serving them are Ellen Lauril at the coffee urn and Paul Latedresse, chef.

THE NORTH CHEVROLET CO.

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Trying out a Chevrolet for size, Dave Ritchie looks one over in the North Chevrolet used car lot while brother Pete and his father look on. Good deals always bring customers back.

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North Hills Golf Club

West Maple Road

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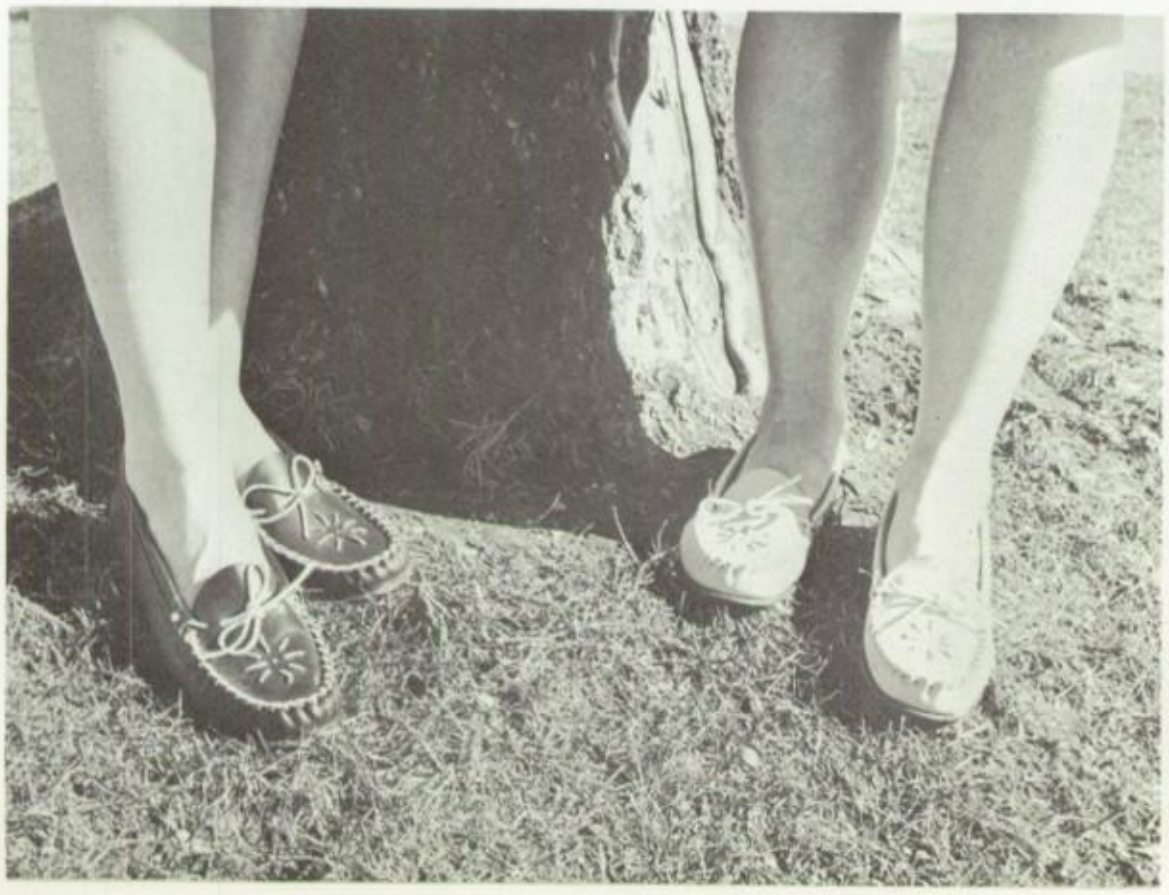
Before teeing off at North Hills first tee, Wendy Mouw receives a lesson from Mike Conroy, captain of the Maple golf team. Wendy hopes that the new grip will help to improve her game this year.

We won't give 'em back to the Indians! Moccasins are no longer the exclusive property of the Chief. For sheer luxury and leisure wear, the girls have appropriated them for their own use.



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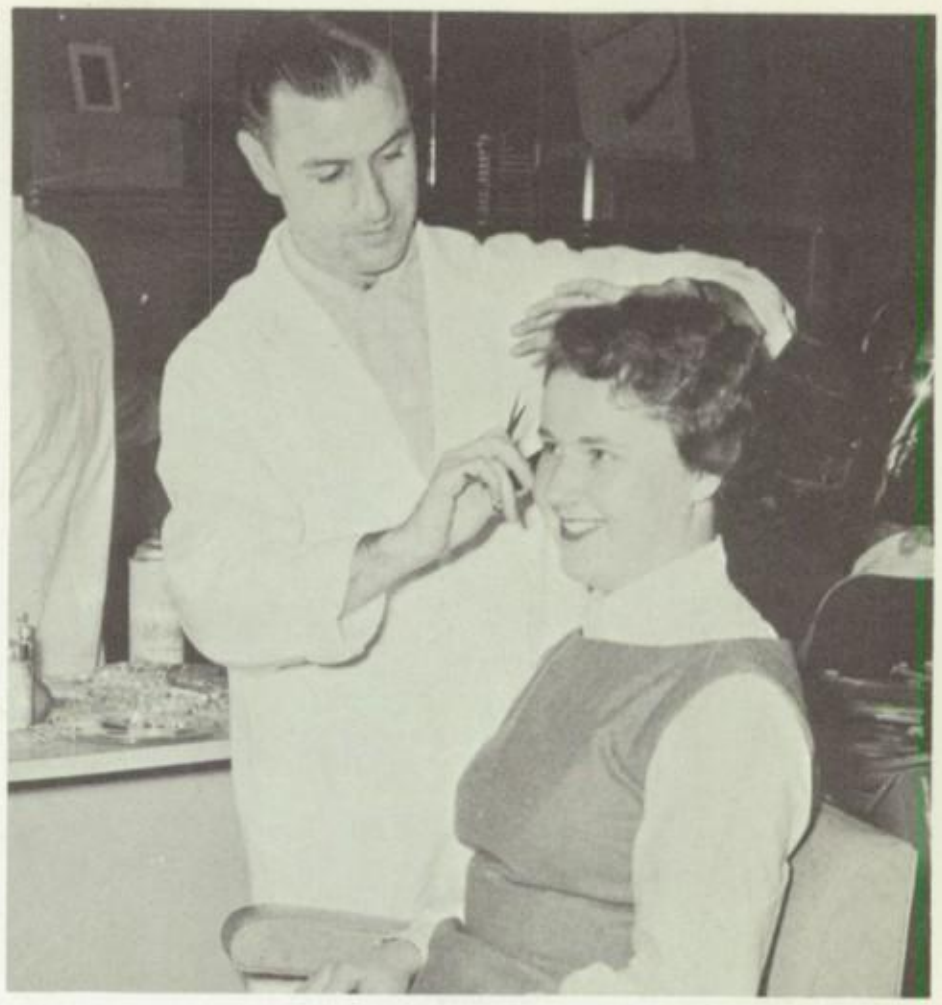

A well groomed appearance is a girl's most important asset. Carol Green is sure to make a hit tonight with her new hair style.

Those impressive white captain's sweaters will stay soft and white as new if they're cleaned at LaMeasure Brothers Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company. Tom Fontaine, Lynn Benn, cross country; Chuck Gibson, Dave Ritchie, '57 football; Tom Bechtel, swimming; Jim Fry, '56 football.

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Complete Laundry and Dry Cleaning Service

Learn to remember names — Practice on ours

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Explaining the merits of a silver place setting Roy Severs and Bob Harris show Carolyn Batey that it is hard to choose a favorite from the large display of patterns at Lake Jewelers.

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Woodward at Maple

Nault's Barber Shop

We need your head in our business

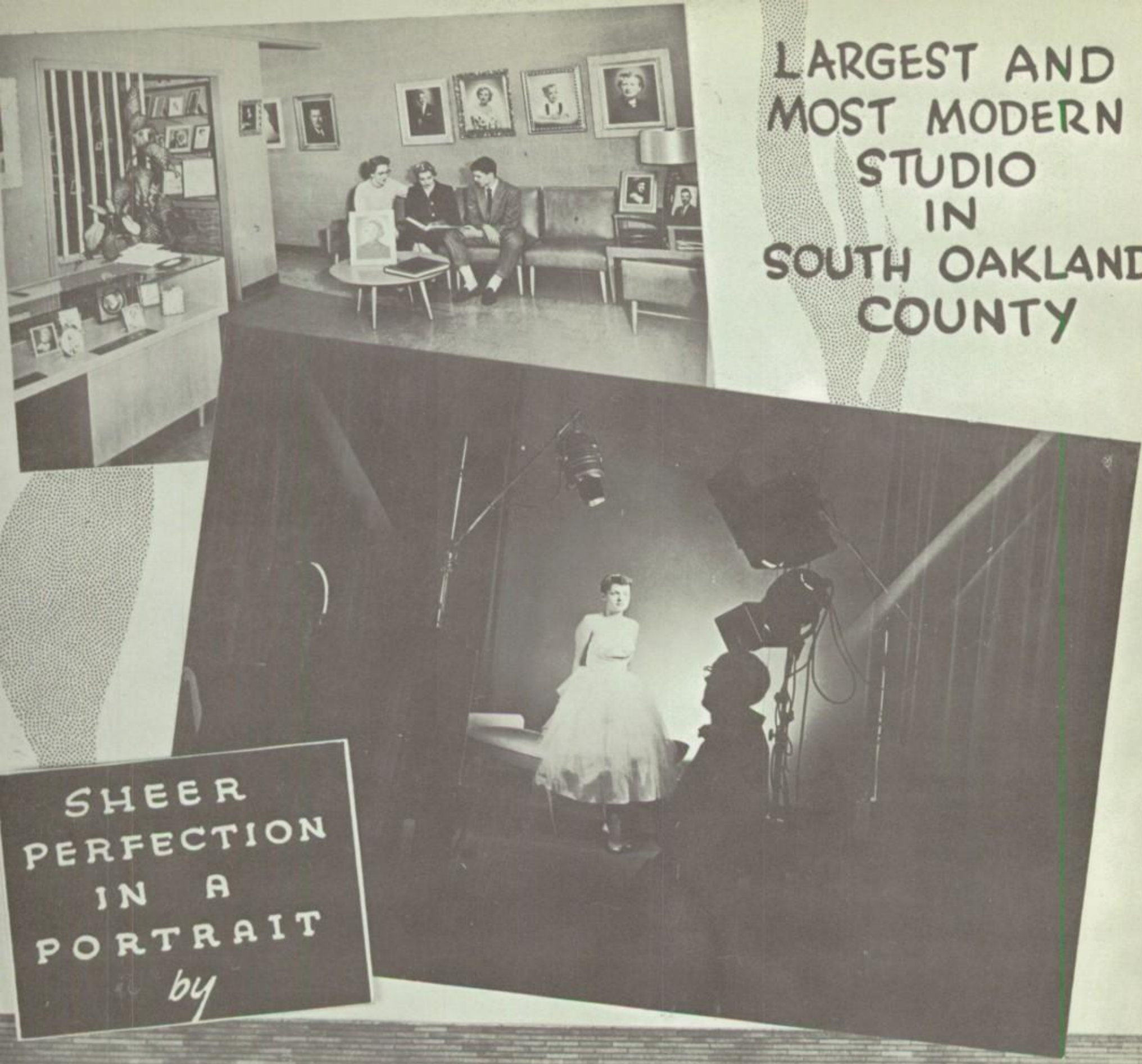
- Our Specialty -

Flattop - Princeton - You Name it

4320 North Woodward - Royal Oak

Six chairs

An expert haircut is a sure thing from any of the specialists at Nault's Barber Shop. Phil Andreae makes sure his cut is just right.



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Joyce,
It has been an absolute riot being in algebra and driving with you, that dumb algebra class is really getting me down! Did you know that mathematics is a tool!!

Quarton
Food Market

Fancy Groceries and Meats

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

1744 W. Maple

MIdwest 4-5510

Birmingham, Michigan

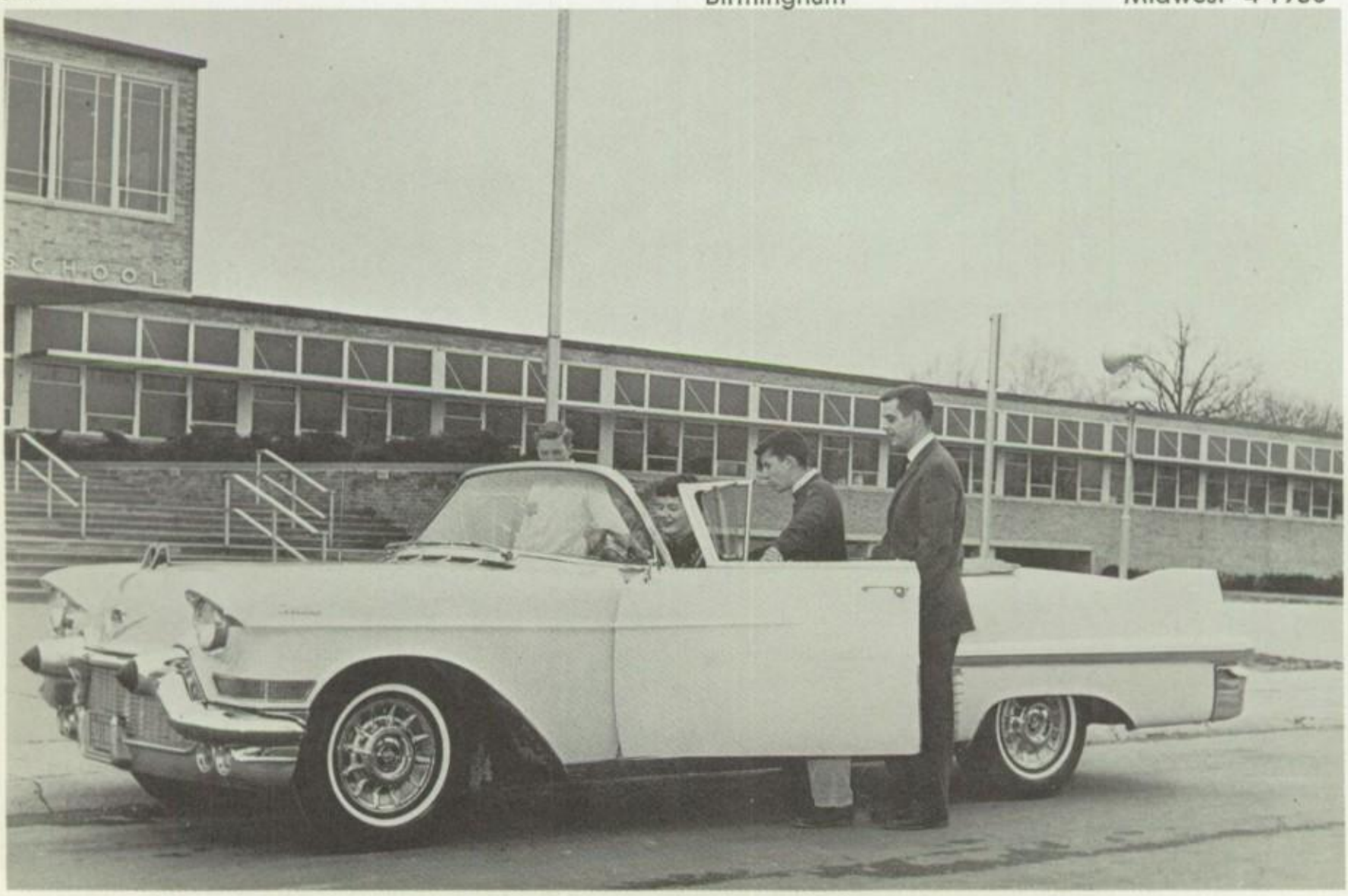
Are you taking algebra again?
Best of Luck,
Jane Torrence

Thank you very much and charge it, please. Jane Torrence finds the recently enlarged Quarton Market an enjoyable place in which to shop with Dave McFawn on hand to help.

"59"

WILSON
Pontiac - Cadillac, Inc.
1350 N. Woodward
Birmingham MIdwest 4-1930

Crossing their fingers and wishing hard, these driving hopefuls ask Mr. Runkel, "Why don't we have Cadillac convertibles like this for Driver Training cars?" "OK, it's ALL YOURS!" he tells Julie Smith, Bob Lewis and Dennis Conlon.



Maskill Hardware

4400 N. WOODWARD AVENUE

ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN

LI. 9-3333

At Maskill Hardware Marsha Keys finds all the equipment needed for summer gardening -- clippers, rakes, hoes, and one of those pretty red shovels.

F. J. Mulholland company

MEN'S, WOMEN'S, and CHILDREN'S CLOTHES

233 N. Woodward Avenue

Birmingham, Michigan

Mulholland's is a complete clothing store - everything for men and boys, and for the women, too. Tom Bechtel tries on a sports coat. Errol Brisendine makes sure it's a perfect fit.

Waiting impatiently for an enjoyable evening of dining and dancing as their dates linger a little too long in the powder room are Jim Peters, Phil Russell and Bill Buick attired in evening clothes from Dickinson's Men's Shop — just right for the J-Hop.

DICKINSON'S MEN'S SHOP

272 West Maple

Mldwest 4-3680

Harold Turner, Inc.

TURNER — THE NAME YOU CAN TRUST

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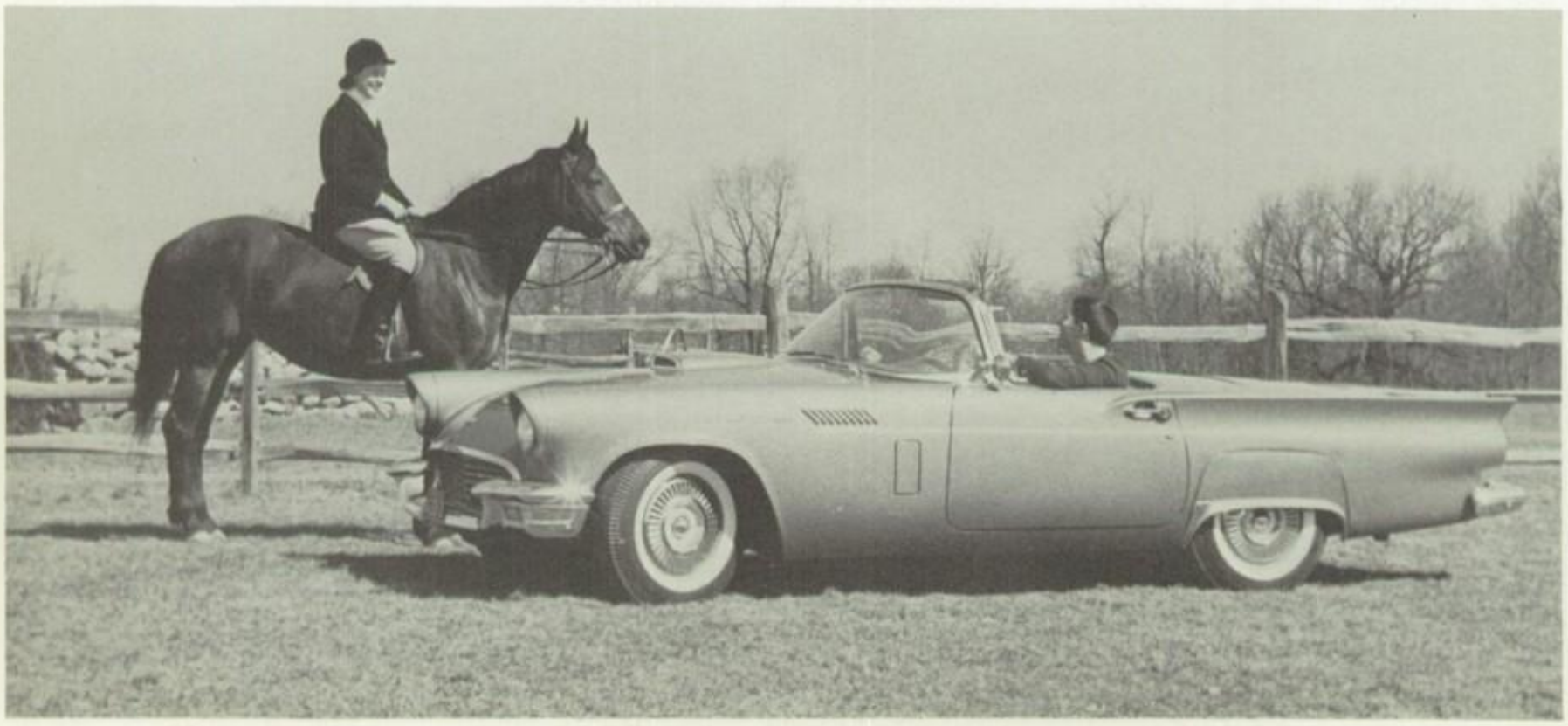
Horsepower at a standstill, Frank Mc Ginnis greets Jane Severs at Bloomfield Open Hunt Club. F. J.'s sleek Thunderbird may be no match for Jane's horse at jumping fences, but in performance it's tops.



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Paints

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154 S. Woodward - Birmingham, Michigan

MIdwest 4-3010

The fish seem to be biting this bright spring day. Ron Sandberg and Tom da Fonseca plan many hours of summer angling and hope only big ones are hooked.

Mary Leach makes a selection of some of that wonderful perfume with the enthralling names. She hopes Jon De Haan will like it, too. So he helps make the choice.

CHOOSE THAT GIFT FOR HER
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MILLS PHARMACY

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1740 West Maple at Chesterfield

Mc SWEENEY'S
FINE FOOTWEAR

RIDING BOOTS

SADDLE SHOES

LOAFERS

227 Pierce Street - Midwest 6-4488

Practicing putting the shoe on the right foot are Sue Hindle and Andy Hawley. A new pair of shoes is just the thing to boost the morale.

Erwin & Smith Market

Home of choice meats,
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Midwest 4-2811 - 138 W. Maple Rd.

"Service, please," says Sue Clark as she looks at the extensive selection of meats and tries to make a decision. Bob Smith comes to her rescue with timely suggestions, and a purchase is finally made.

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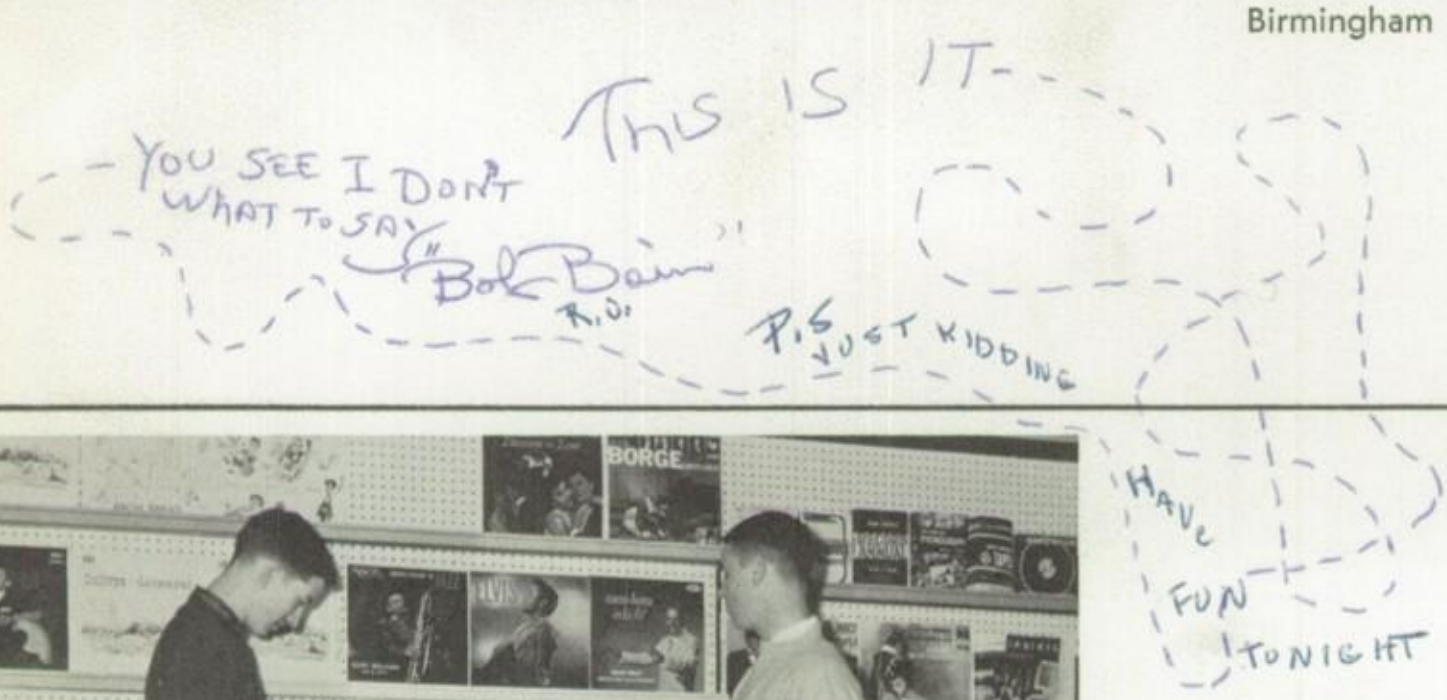

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BIRMINGHAM

All dressed up and places to go! Planning a full day of tennis, swimming, a picnic, and just plain fun are Dave Muhlitner, John Gardner, Nancy Savage, Howdy Willett, Judy Klapproth, Marcia Mc Farland, Pete Sintz and Sharon Bleedlove, in the casual sports attire the day's activities call for.

Little Art

Jayce Boy if we both don't go to the Nut House pretty soon and get better, we might as well quit. Do you remember all the fun we had with Joanie and Lynn tobboganing and ice skating. Remember when we went down the ~~steep~~ hill and the snow flew up in our faces and we were just soaked from head to foot!!, and the time we went to the Country Club for dinner and everybody was speeking French and the waiters couldn't understand. Boy if we go around with each other much longer I think will drive people mad. Especially like Howie and mitch! Remember the variety Show! How terrible that was!! Hope you and Howie are always together and when we double this saturday to the Q. Hop we can have a blast with no one at home at (you know where). Remember water skiing and all the fun we had then This year will have to get together. you + Howie and I should all go water skiing and out to the beach at ~~night~~ weight! We will have to do a lot of doubling now! Also Joanie and Lynn you and I are for sure, going to the beach and have a blast!

P.S. Best of Luck to you & Howie always!

UR Stiffs

Joyce,
Well, three
years are gone
and only one more
to go. I sure hope
the last one is the best
Lots of Luck next year
"57" Papa Parkins

Joyce,
algebra sure has been
fun failing this year, hasn't
it? Good Luck in your senior
year and your D-hop better
be great. Have fun this
summer and see you
next year.
Dave Cartier

C.S. DAMN PEN

Joyce
How could we
have stood that queer
English class alone?
I'm really glad that
I got to know you
this year. We really
had a blast talking it
up about "whitey" and just
about everybody else.
Earl Sisson
'58

Joyce,
5th hr study hall
sure would have been
dull if you hadn't been
there. Say we sure had
a lot of fun didn't we?
You're a real cute kid and
I wish you the best of
luck in your Senior year.
Good luck with Bonnie too
Linda Lambe
"59

Joyce,
This Hour has totally
has been a farce till I
didn't get to know you better.
Your brother is a dream-boat
& has a fabulous personality.
Julie O'Hearn

Dear Joyce,
I hope you
have a wonderful
summer. We sure
had fun this year.
Have a GREAT NEXT YEAR!
Best of luck
See you
Next year
Mary Lou

Seniors

Joyce,
It's too bad that we didn't get in the same history class This year. I never will forget Last year. Best of Luck in the years To come To a real Sweet Kid.

Jack Bottler
"58"
With Lucks

Joyce,
Remember our 3rd hour loafing class! Loads of luck in the future Gloria Greve "58"

Joyce
I really want to thank you for trying some how becoming a big snob. I guess all your effort was in vain. Even though I hate to think of it. I hope you don't feel that I was forgetting you (and our) friendship. My Christmas wish is that you get out of your rut and enjoy-ment (and fun) out of life. Good luck to you when I put you in Location (even if I don't) and a real sweet personality pal with lots of personality and a real sweet smile Best of luck always
Dick Bielby 59
M.S.

Joyce,
This junior year has been a lot of fun, and work, but it will make the senior year even better. Good luck to you in what-ever you do.
Carol Bain
58.